





## Plans for Oak Knoll, Letterman

The Defense Department decided yesterday to buy brand new hospitals on the site of the Army's Letterman General Hospital in the Presidio and the Navy's Oak Knoll Hospital in Oakland.

The decision by Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara adopted the recommendation of a survey committee last December.

It rejected the proposal two years ago by the General Accounting office that a new, 1,200-bed facility somewhere in the East Bay be built to replace both institutions.

Combined capacity of the new Letterman and Oak Knoll will be 1,200 also. Both are 1,000-bed hospitals now. Reports from Washington that the capacity split under the announced plan will be

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## Hospitals: Letterman, Oak Knoll

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750 for Oak Knoll and 450 for Letterman caused some local concern.

Letterman is a major teaching center for military medicals. The Army reportedly fought hard to expand its successor, pointing out that the facility turns out more than 20 per cent of the Army's medical specialists.

McNamara told the Secretaries of the Army and Navy to get design and cost estimates, with a view to asking Congress for the money next year.

When the survey committee recommended against a combined hospital last year, the rough estimates of costs ran from \$50,000,000 to \$60,000,000.

Norman Paul, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and a member of the committee that chose the two-hospital plan, wrote Representatives Jeffery Cohelan and George P. Miller, Alameda County Democrats, that other factors outweighed the savings envisioned in having a single hospital.

"Both Letterman and Oakland Hospitals represent major centers of specialized care, teaching, research and mobilization missions for the Army and Navy respectively," he wrote. "They are in fact integral parts of the worldwide medical complexes of each service."

"The merger of these two services in that area would seriously hamper the training, research and mobilization planning functions of the two medical services involved."

The assistant secretary said steps will be taken to avoid duplication of effort and insure co-ordination between the Army and Navy in planning and operation of the hospitals.

Letterman now has 130 buildings, some of them dating from its founding during the Spanish-American War, on 48 Presidio acres. Oak Knoll, or more formally Oakland Naval Hospital, has a 208-acre site in southeast Oakland with 137 buildings, most of them "temporary" frame buildings put up during World War II when it was founded.

## 'THANK YOU' TO RED CROSS

Oakland Naval Hospital said "thank you" at a tea to 37 Red Cross Youth Volunteers who gave a total of 860 hours of service to the hospital during the summer.

The girls served as office assistants, aided Gray Ladies in performing personal services, helped craft Gray Ladies in preparation and distribution of craft projects, assisted with recreation in adult and children's wards, prepared swabs for use in the eye, ear, nose and throat department, worked in the central sterilizing room, made posters and assisted with other art projects in the Red Cross Lounge.

Two members of the group were at Oak Knoll for their third summer, and eleven were back for the second time.

"The Youth Volunteer program — started only three years ago — has earned this Command's wholehearted approval," Rear Admiral C. L. Andrews, commanding officer of the hospital, said in his message for the souvenir program which was distributed at the tea.

Oakland Chapter recruited the services of Shelly Cole, Kathy Cosgrove, Sandra Ferguson, Charlene Foss, Charletta Hines, Constance Joseph, Linda Lowe, Sherry Markwart, Wanda Moore, Susan Newhart, Regina Niderkorn, Sherry Steffens, Alveta Stephens, Marilyn Theriot, Lois Williams, Susan Whitman and June Willis.

Youth Volunteers from Alameda Chapter were Barbara Baker, Margaret Ensley, Ann Fox, Nancy Fraser, Linda Gladwell, Cathy Hurst, Linda Martinelli, Dianne Mason, Carol McCall, Alice Morgan, Kathy Morgan, Kathy Pingree and Colette Wahl.

Berkeley Chapter volunteers were Barbara Frazier, Janet and Susan Nawata, Nancy Ellen Ruedrich, Laurie Saunders, Janet Titsworth and Katherine Wood.

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## Wise McNamara

THE DECISION to rebuild both Letterman Army Hospital in the Presidio and the Oakland Naval Hospital is a sound one, both from the standpoint of the practice of medicine and medical economics.

The ruling by Defense Secretary McNamara eliminates earlier proposals that the hospitals be combined in an all-service institution of truly horrendous size at some unresolved location.

Experts insist that a hospital of more than 1000 beds is almost impossible to administer efficiently and the combined facility was targeted at 1200 beds.

Separate institutions will better serve the thousands of active and retired military personnel in the Bay Area and, incidentally, continue their important economic contributions to their respective communities.



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## News Call Bulletin

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## Letterman Hospital

### To Be Rebuilt in Presidio

Both Letterman Army Hospital in the Presidio and the Oakland Naval Hospital will be rebuilt at their present locations, it was announced this afternoon in Washington.

Defense Secy. Robert S. McNamara has decided to reconstruct both hospitals, rather than build an all-service, 1200-bed hospital elsewhere.

The decision was announced to Reps. Jeffery Cohelan and George P. Miller by Asst. Defense Secy. Norman Paul.

"Both Letterman and Oakland hospitals represent major centers of specialized

care, teaching, research and mobilization missions for the Army and Navy respectively," Paul said.

"They are in fact integral parts of the worldwide medical complexes of each service."

"The merger of these two services in that area would seriously hamper the training, research and mobilization planning functions of the two medical services involved."

The new hospitals will have a combined bed capacity of 1200, as compared with 1900 at present. Funds for construction will be provided in the 1965 military budget.

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## Navy Man Demonstrates With Skeleton

John Mullen, instructor at the Oakland Naval Hospital, recently spoke to the seventh grade science class at Halcyon School on the skeletal system of the human body.

The science program for the first half of the school year concerns the study of the human body and the students are presently studying the skeletal system.

Mullen demonstrated with X-ray pictures and an actual full-size skeleton. He discussed what the bones of the body look like and how they function.

The students were particularly impressed with the X-ray pictures (Mullen is an instructor in X-ray) showing fractured bones and how the bones enable

the other parts of the body to function.

The students were then allowed to examine the various bones in the skeleton.

Mullen, after the demonstration, thought that the students had a much better realization of the importance of the bones as the framework of the body. Each student was given a draw-

ing of the human body showing the skeleton and during Mullen's talk each student worked along with him in identifying the important bones of the body.

Mullen is the father of one of the boys in the class and has spent 16 years active duty in the Navy.





## U.S. to Keep Two Bay Hospitals

The Defense Department said today that the Oakland Naval Hospital and Letterman General Hospital at San Francisco would be rebuilt at their present locations.

The action culminates a long fight by Congressmen George Miller of Alameda and Jeffrey Colehan of Berkeley to prevent the combining of both hospitals into one facility at the presidio.

In a letter to the two Congressmen, Norman S. Paul, assistant secretary of defense for manpower, said designs for the reconstruction of the hospitals and cost estimates for their replacements probably would be included in next year's military budget.

The strategic location of both hospitals and the part they play in world-wide military complexes "outweigh any economic gain that might be realized" from combining the facilities, said Paul.

Both hospitals, under the Defense Department plan, would be reduced somewhat in size to a total capacity of 1,200 beds, as compared to their present limit of 1,900 beds.

Paul's letter to the Congressmen says:

"The economic advantages of a single major hospital appear attractive. However . . . both Letterman and Oakland hospitals represent major centers of specialized care, teaching, research and mobilization missions for the Army and Navy respectively. They are, in fact, integral parts of the world-wide medical complex of each service.

"The merger of these two services in that area would seriously hamper the training, research and mobilization planning function of the two medical services involved.

"Another important factor is the strategic location of these two hospitals and the possible need for their use for evacuating casualties. We are convinced that should the necessity arise, two hospitals in that area could respond to emergency conditions far more rapidly and effectively than one."

## Naval Hospital Plans Draw Praise



OAKLAND NAVAL HOSPITAL WILL BE REBUILT AT PRESENT SITE  
Government says replacement of 20-year-old buildings may begin in 1965

News that the Oakland Naval Hospital will be rebuilt at its present location brought jubilant reactions today from city officials and local business leaders.

"This action will be of advantage not only to Oakland, but also the military," commented Vice Mayor Felix Chialvo. "The government will save the money of acquiring a new and less convenient site."

The Defense Department announced in Washington late Tuesday that both the naval hospital and the Army's Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco will be rebuilt.

The decision ended a long fight by Representatives George Miller of Alameda and Jeffrey Colehan of Berkeley to prevent consolidation of both hospitals into a single facility at the Presidio.

"This is a great day for the city," Oakland Chamber of Commerce President Nils Eklund said. "Miller and Colehan are to be congratulated for their persistence."

"Although Oak Knoll Hospital will be smaller at first, it will doubtless expand later on," he said.

Under the Defense Department plan, both hospitals will be reduced in size to a total of

1,200 beds. Their present combined capacity is 1,900 beds.

In a letter to the two Congressmen, Asst. Secretary of Defense Norman S. Paul said reconstruction designs and cost estimates will probably be included in next year's military budget, with work expected to start in 1965.

The strategic location of both hospitals and the part they play in world-wide military operations "outweigh any economic gain that might be realized" from combining them, Paul said.

The Congressmen had argued:

" . . . both Letterman and Oakland Hospitals represent major centers of specialized care, research and mobilization missions for the Army and Navy respectively.

"The merger . . . would seriously hamper (the medical operations of both services).

"Another important factor is the strategic location of these two hospitals and the possible need of their use for evacuating casualties. We are convinced that should the necessity arise, the two hospitals . . . would respond . . . more rapidly and effectively than one."

Eklund and Chialvo theorized the decision to retain the Oakland hospital was based, at

least in part, on its prime location.

"I've always felt that it is ideally situated in East Oakland to serve not only Oakland residents but Navy dependents from other Eastbay cities," Chialvo said.

Eklund added: "The pending completion of the MacArthur Freeway probably had as much to do with it as anything. It will provide easy access from all parts of the Bay Area, which will be necessary because there are at least twice as many prospective naval hospital patients here as there are for an Army hospital."

Paul told the two Congressmen the same architect will design both facilities. Medical training operations will be coordinated, he added, to avoid duplication. Both moves are expected to cut overall operating costs.

The present naval hospital at 8750 Mountain Blvd. has 825 beds in 140 buildings on 208 acres. The average number of patients last year was 730, served by a staff of 1,317.

Commissioned in 1942, it serves not only the 40,000 Navy men in the area, but also thousands of their dependents.

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THE VOICE OF THE WEST

## New Military Hospitals for S. F., Oakland

By Jack Foisie

The transbay fight over locating a new military hospital in Oakland or San Francisco was settled yesterday.

Both sides will get new hospitals. Combined construction costs will be about \$60 million.

Letterman Army Hospital will be replaced with a new structure, probably adjacent to its present location on the Presidio flatland.

Oakland Naval Hospital will be replaced with permanent buildings where it now stands in the Oak Knoll area.

Letterman was built as a

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## New Bay Military Hospitals on Way

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"temporary" structure in 1889 to treat patients of the Spanish-American War. Oakland hospital will be 21 years old July 1.

The decision to replace both hospitals, instead of providing the Bay Area with one all-service facility as recommended by the General Accounting Office, was made by Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara.

His decision reversed a trend toward unification of military medical facilities. Other factors outweighed the economic advantages of a single major hospital, Bay Area Congressmen were informed.

However, both the new Army and Navy hospitals will be smaller than the present ones.

In fact, their combined "normal" bed capacity will be only 1,200, a ceiling that coincides with the Government recommendation for a combined facility.

Currently, Letterman is operating on a 1,000-bed basis

(but averages only 750 filled). Oakland hospital has 925 beds, and about 690 patients. Nevertheless, the McNamara decision was greeted with joy by Congressmen Jeffrey Colehan and George P. Miller, East Bay Democrats, who disclosed the Pentagon verdict.

Mayor George Christopher said the decision to rebuild both hospitals is a "sensible approach."

Norman Paul, Assistant Secretary for Manpower, told the Congressmen that the Army and Navy would proceed immediately with design and cost estimates. Initial funds may be sought from Congress next year.

Paul said two hospitals would be more effective than one in handling casualties under emergency conditions.

The decision to rebuild Letterman appeared to end any doubt of the Army's intention to hold onto a major part of the Presidio.

## Adm. Hays Lowers His Flag At Oakland Naval Hospital

Thirty-five years of Navy service that began when he was a young medical school graduate ended Saturday for Rear Adm. Thomas G. Hays, commanding officer of the Oakland Naval Hospital.

On hand to pay him tribute at colorful change-of-command ceremonies was Rear Adm. Cecil L. Andrews, who replaces him.

The ceremony, which featured a full dress inspection, also was attended by Fleet Adm. Chester Nimitz, Rear Adm. E. E. Yeomans, commander of the Western Sea Frontier and 12th Naval District, and a number of other high-ranking Naval officers.

Adm. Andrews paid tribute to Hays as a "fine physician, Naval officer and friend," and pledged to do his utmost to "maintain the standard of excellence for which Oakland Naval Hospital is so well known."

Adm. Yeomans presented the retiring officer with congratulatory letters from the Secretary of the Navy, Chief of Naval Operations and the Navy's Surgeon General.

Hays, 59, joined the Navy in 1928 shortly after his graduation from the University of Illinois Medical School. He served in the South Pacific during World War II and was promoted to flag rank in 1956.

His successor, a 1930 graduate from Indiana University Medical School, was commissioned in

the Navy Medical Corps the year of his graduation.

## New Chief at Naval Hospital

Rear Adm. Cecil L. Andrews, Medical Corps, United States Navy, will take command of the U. S. Naval Hospital in Oakland in ceremonies at 10 a. m. Saturday.

Adm. Andrews will succeed Rear Adm. Thomas G. Hays, who is retiring after five years as commander of the hospital and 35 years in the Navy.

## ANDREWS TO ASSUME NAVAL HOSPITAL HELM

Rear Adm. Cecil L. Andrews will assume command of Oakland Naval Hospital in full-dress ceremonies at 10 a. m. Saturday in Gendreau Circle, where the hospital was commissioned 21 years ago.

He succeeds Rear Adm. Thomas G. Hays, retiring after five years at the hospital and 35 years Navy service.

Admiral Andrews has been assistant chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery for Personnel and Professional Operations in Washington, D.C., since 1959.

Ceremonies will include troop inspection by the two flag officers and music by the 12th Naval District band.



'Duplication'

## Cost Battle Over Military Hospitals

Plans to replace aging military hospitals at the San Francisco Presidio and in Oakland were attacked yesterday as "wasteful and unnecessary" in a report to Congress.

Comptroller General Joseph Campbell said \$10 million could be saved by building one new hospital instead of two, and providing for its joint use by the Army and Navy.

A joint facility located in the "Oakland-Alameda area," Campbell said, would save \$8.2 million annually in administration costs.

### REPLACEMENT

The report criticized the recent Defense Department decision to replace both Letterman Hospital at the Presidio, and the Oakland hospital in the Oak Knoll area.

A military study committee had set the cost of two new hospitals here at \$60 million. Campbell's estimate was only \$35 million, but he objected even to this amount.

He said a single 1,000-bed hospital at a cost of \$21 million would meet military needs if a \$4 million 200-bed addition were made to the Travis Air Force base hospital, Solano county.

Campbell said there should be "effective joint use of these facilities."

He said his auditors had discovered that many patients were transferred to Letterman unnecessarily from hospitals outside the Sixth Army Area (eight western states) for which Letterman was designed to provide specialized medicine.

### VACANCIES

He said there were vacancies in other Army hospitals

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pendents who should have been treated in civilian hospitals under the military medicare program.

The Army replied that withdrawal of medical privileges for retired personnel and their families would have an "adverse morale effect" that would cause many career soldiers to leave the service.

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## Bay Service Hospital Projects Hit

Replacement of the Bay Area's two major military hospitals, believed settled by a recent decision to rebuild them both, is up in the air again after criticism of the plan by the Comptroller General of the United States.

The two hospitals in question are the Oakland Naval Hospital, 8750 Mountain Blvd., and Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco.

Comptroller Gen. Joseph Campbell declared Wednesday in a report to Congress that military hospital needs could best be met by consolidation of the two into a single hospital in the Oakland-Alameda area.

And such consolidation would result in an \$8.2 million annual savings for the Defense Department.

### HAS NO EFFECT

Oakland Chamber of Commerce President Nils Eklund said that the Campbell opinion will have no effect on the earlier decision by the Defense Department to rebuild and expand both facilities.

Campbell said \$10 million could be saved by abandoning both hospitals and building a brand new one, in addition to the \$8.2 operating cost savings.

Campbell recommended to Congress and the Secretary of Defense that a single 1,000-bed replacement hospital be constructed, along with a 200-bed addition to a modern hospital at Travis Air Force Base.

He said effective joint use of the single hospital could be achieved by:

"1. Eliminating the unnecessary transfers of patients to the San Francisco Bay Area.

"2. Making greater use of available civilian hospitals for the care of dependents.

"3. Eliminating the requirement for construction of facilities to care for retired personnel, their dependents, and others, entitled to treatment only if space is available."

### NOTIFY CONGRESS

The Defense Department informed members of Congress last week that proposals for two replacement hospitals would be included in the military construction program for the 12 months beginning next July 1.

Next year's construction program will be reviewed by Congress during the first half of 1964.

General Accounting Office auditors figured their costs on an estimated \$35 million cost of building a new 700-bed Letterman and a 750-bed Oakland hospital. They estimated a new joint 1,000-bed hospital would cost \$21 million and the addition to Travis \$4 million.

The Defense Department advised members of Congress that the two new hospitals now are planned to total 1,200 beds. No cost estimate was given.

The auditors reported that in 1960 an average of 116 beds at Letterman and Oakland hospitals was occupied by patients transferred unnecessarily from hospitals outside the 6th Army area.

"These patients did not reside in the central part of the 6th Army area, comprising Northern California, Nevada and Utah, which is serviced normally by military hospitals in the San Francisco Bay Area," the report asserted.

### BEDS AVAILABLE

"At the same time, hospital bed facilities were generally available in the specialty treatment center hospitals in other Army areas in the United States and in the northern (Seattle - Tacoma) and southern (San Diego-Los Angeles) parts of the Sixth Army area.

The report said 56 of the 116 patients came from other Army areas in the United States, 42 from the southern part of the 6th Army area and 18 from the northern part.

At the same time, the report said, availability of beds at military specialty treatment center hospitals outside the 6th Army area ranged from 29 in the 1st Army area to 432 in the 2nd Army area, after deducting those occupied by retired personnel, their dependents and others entitled to be treated only when space is not needed for active duty personnel or their dependents.

The auditors found that 97 beds at Letterman and Oakland were being used unnecessarily for dependents of active duty personnel.

These patients, the report said, either "resided beyond the prescribed time and distance criteria for treatment in military hospitals in the San Francisco area or exceeded the optimum proportion (70 per cent) of dependent patients to be treated in military hospitals compared with the number to be treated in civilian hospitals under the medicare program."

## Meningitis At Moffett ---2 Children

Two children of personnel at Moffett Naval Air Station have been stricken with meningitis, the Navy reported yesterday.

Five-month-old Gerald S. Braswell, son of Aviation Machinist and Mrs. James F. Braswell Jr., was in critical condition yesterday at Oakland Naval Hospital.

The other victim is a 2-year-old girl, Diane Wilson, daughter of Aviation Metalsmith and Mrs. Herbert R. Wilson. She became ill last Thursday and is recovering.

Captain George M. Clifford, Moffett commander, ordered preventive drugs given to residents of the housing area in which the illness occurred, and closed Moffett's swimming pool and theater until further notice.

Mrs. Braswell's brother, Seaman Charles Carter, left San Diego Naval Training Station about June 14 and spent two weeks visiting Moffett, the Navy said.

Meningitis occurred at the big San Diego "boot camp" earlier this year and has killed several men. The Navy said that it did not know if Carter's visit had caused infection of the two babies at Moffett.



## Capt. E. D. Washburn Rites Set

Captain Edward Davis Washburn, USN retired, of 15 Alvarado Rd., Berkeley, will be buried Friday with full military honors at the Naval Academy Cemetery in Annapolis, Md.

He died June 27 at a local Naval Hospital.

Captain Washburn was a naval engineer who specialized in water problems.

He was a native of Bedford, Va. and was graduated from the Naval Academy in 1906.

Prior to World War II he served as Commander on both the USS California and the USS Marblehead.

At the outbreak of the war, he was in charge of the Navy Hydrographic quarters in San Francisco.

Captain Washburn retired from active duty in 1946 and settled with his family in Berkeley.

He is survived by his widow, Katherine, and two sons, Randolph and Edward D. Washburn III.

## World of Women

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Bordenaro &amp; Zarcos

CARMEL and Southern California were honeymoon destinations for the Erik Karlssons (Brenda Lee Brodehl) after their wedding in St. Paschal's Catholic Church and reception in Snow Lodge. Bride is the daughter of the Ervin Brodehls of this city, her bridegroom son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Sears of Renton, Wash. The justweds have established their home in Oakland.

## Way Paved For Naval Hospital Here

A \$314,757 contract to begin site preparation for the new Oakland Naval Hospital has been awarded to the S. and D. Construction Co. of San Jose.

Work is to begin as soon as possible, Navy spokesmen reported.

The nine-story, cross-shaped structure will be located only a few hundred yards from the existing hospital.

Navy officials have estimated that the 650-bed \$14.5-million hospital should be ready for occupancy by mid-1968.

The first contract calls for demolition of five buildings on the site where the new hospital will rise. It also covers conversion of several buildings to house medical departments located in the buildings to be torn down.

Sun., July 21, 1963

## EASTBAY U.S. HOSPITAL MERGER GETS A PLUG

Another look at possible consolidation of Letterman Army Hospital in San Francisco and Oakland Naval Hospital has been recommended by a joint congressional subcommittee.

The report Saturday by the subcommittee on defense procurement of the House-Senate Economic Committee included an earlier suggestion for a cost-saving single-unit replacement for both in the Oakland-Alameda area.

The Defense Department is currently planning to replace the

hospitals with two new facilities on the present sites.

Included in the subcommittee report is testimony given last month by Comptroller General Joseph Campbell. He suggested that a replacement in the Eastbay for the two hospitals, plus additions to the Travis Air Force Base hospital, could result in significant savings.

The proposed government-wide study of military medical facilities with an eye toward consolidation should be headed by the Bureau of the Budget, the subcommittee recommended.

## Navy Cites Red Cross Aide Here

Mrs. Claire Breuer, a Red Cross volunteer at Oakland Naval Hospital, has been awarded the Secretary of the Navy's Meritorious Public Service Citation — the second highest honor the Navy confers on a civilian.

Mrs. Breuer, who lives with her husband, Joseph, at 3698 Keith Ave., was awarded the citation Tuesday by Rear Admiral Cecil L. Andrews, commanding officer of the Oak Knoll facility.

The citation was given to Mrs. Breuer in recognition of "her outstanding contributions to the Department of the Navy in the fields of education and international relations."

The document, signed by Secretary of the Navy Fred Korth, read, in part: "Mrs. Breuer has generously devoted her personal time to and effort in holding English language courses for Allied Nation trainees serving at Oakland Naval Hospital under the Military Assistance Program."

Serving at Oak Knoll since 1949, Mrs. Breuer originally taught Spanish to hospital patients. As the Military Assistance program brought naval officers from foreign countries, Mrs. Breuer volunteered to teach them English in addition to her regular job.

Mrs. Breuer, a native of California and an alumna of Mills College, has taught English to officers from Pakistan, Thailand, Formosa, Japan, Korea, the Philippines, Turkey, Colombia, Peru and Mexico. Her current class consists of 13 Korean Navy doctors and a Korean Navy nurse.

Admiral Andrews told Mrs. Breuer, "We believe that our trainees gain from their experience here, that they are better able to serve when they return to their respective countries, but the help you give them, your wonderful hospitality and friendship, will be remembered for the rest of their lives."

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## New Hospital Planned To Replace 2 on Coast

WASHINGTON — Letterman General Hospital at San Francisco and the Naval Hospital at Oakland would be closed under a recommendation made by the Comptroller General.

In a report to Congress, Comptroller General Joseph Campbell has called for the construction of a new joint-use hospital in the Oakland-Alameda, Calif., area and an addition to an existing hospital at Travis AFB, Calif. Retirees would be cut out of any bed space under the proposed change.

These new facilities, Campbell says, will meet military needs and eliminate "unnecessary annual costs" of more than \$8 million running Letterman and Oakland, and will make unnecessary plans to spend \$10 million for the construction of separate new hospitals.

"Effective use," Campbell said, can be made of a single new hospital and a 200-bed addition to the Travis hospital by eliminating unnecessary patient transfers in the Bay Area, making greater use of available civilian hospitals for treating dependents, and "eliminating the requirement for construction of facilities to care for retired personnel, their dependents, and others entitled to treatment only if space is available."

The Defense Department told GAO that a thorough study of the total requirements for hospital

services and the best methods of fulfilling them was needed before an authorization for money from Congress for either the Army or Navy project is requested.

GAO said that DoD "also agreed that bed space for retired personnel should not be included in computing hospital construction requirements and that more adequate data on the use of hospital facilities should be used in determining requirements."

A number of service organizations, notably the Fleet Reserve Association, have been fighting the consolidation of the hospitals in the Bay area since it was first suggested. The cut in beds available to retirees and dependents is their chief concern. They also have insisted that one hospital in an area so large is impractical and that service families will have to travel too far to get to the hospital.

## East Bay Woman Receives Navy Award

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highest honor the Navy confers on a civilian.

As a Red Cross volunteer at the U. S. Naval Hospital in Oakland, Mrs. Breuer has given English language courses for foreign

trainees serving at the hospital under the Military Assistance program.

Mrs. Breuer's current class consists of 13 Korean Navy doctors and a Korean Navy nurse.

She and her husband are "at home" to foreign trainees throughout the year, and at last count their "adopted" sons and daughters totaled more than 100 serving in the

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navies of Pakistan, Thailand, Japan, Korea, the Philippines, Turkey, Colombia, Peru and Mexico.

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## Citation Given To Mrs. Breuer

OAKLAND, Calif. — Mrs. Joseph R. Breuer, a Red Cross Staff Aide at the Naval Hospital here, has received the Secretary of the Navy's Meritorious Public Service Citation — the second highest honor the Navy confers on a civilian.

Mrs. Breuer's citation is in recognition of "her outstanding contributions to the Department of the Navy in the fields of education and international relations."

Presentation of the citation and accompanying lapel pin were made by Rear Adm. Cecil L. Andrews, commanding officer, when Mrs. Breuer reported to the hospital to meet her class, which now consists of 13 Korean Navy doctors and a Korean Navy nurse.



## When It Comes to Blood 12th ND Gives Liberally

OAKLAND, Calif. — Twelfth Naval District sailors are liberal blood donors!

They gave 2200 pints of blood to the Naval Hospital Blood Bank here during the past year and 1541 to the 12th Naval District Blood Fund.

The hospital's "bloodmobile" team collected 1500 units from men attached to Treasure Island—1300 of these from the Schools Command and 200 from the brig. It drew blood from 405 sailors at Naval Air Station, Alameda.

Emergency demands for fresh blood and rare blood types were supplied by 237 members of the hospital's own "walking donor" list. On several occasions large emergency demands for specific blood types were met by a busload of donors sent to the hospital from Treasure Island.

Blood needs of Moffett Field personnel and their dependents are supplied through their contribu-

tions to the Red Cross Donor Center in San Jose.

In addition to the long-established hospital blood bank, the Navy established the 12th Naval District Blood Fund 18 months ago. Of the 1541 units collected, 1285 have been disbursed.

This program was established to help the Navy take care of its own—wherever they are. Maintained at Irwin Memorial Blood Bank, 270 Masonic Avenue, San Francisco, it furnishes blood credits for active duty, dependent, and retired personnel under treatment in civilian hospitals. It compensates the Army's Letterman General Hospital, Travis Air Force Base Hospital, and Vallejo General Hospital for units used in treating Navy dependents.

Through its nationwide affiliations which permit exchange of credits all over the United States, Bay Area navy personnel can provide blood needs of dependents "back home" whenever sufficient credits are available. Needs of non-dependent immediate family members can be met in some cases.



Bob Williams photo

**OAK KNOLL** Naval Chapel was the site of the recent wedding of Sharon Ann Sayne, daughter of the Glenn Ellis Saynes Sr., of this city, to Rowland William Franssen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Franssen of Nebraska. The couple will make their home in Oakland.

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SANDRA MARIE WINSBY  
... to wed Navy man

## Ceremony Set for September

Sandra Marie Winsby of Alameda and Lieut. (jg) William Laine Dowling, USNR, are engaged to be married on September 7.

The announcement is being made by her mother, Mrs. Elisabeth Y. Winsby of Otis Drive in the Encinal City. The bride-elect has just returned from Hinsdale, Ill., where she visited with her fiancé's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Harry F. Dowling. Dr. Dowling is the head of the department of medicine at the University of Illinois School of Medicine.

An Alameda High School graduate, Sandra, the daughter of the late Milton R. Winsby, received her A.B. from University of California this June. She was a Kappa Delta member on campus.

The bride-elect attended Duke University and earned a master's degree in hospital administration from University of Chicago. He is presently stationed at the U.S. Naval Hospital here as assistant administrative officer. While in college, Lieut. Dowling affiliated with Beta Theta Pi.

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Admiral Thomas  
G. Hays

Rear Admiral Hays, recently retired as commanding officer of the Oakland Naval Hospital, has been named executive director of the San Francisco Society for Crippled Children and Adults. The new head of the local Easter Seal organization is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

## Hospital Gets New Skipper

SAN FRANCISCO BAY—New commanding officers have taken commands in ceremonies held on opposite sides of San Francisco Bay. The attack transport Montrose got her new skipper in San Francisco. In Oakland, a new commanding officer has taken the Naval Hospital.

Capt. Thomas R. Weschler relieved Capt. James P. Coleman in the Montrose while the ship was in the yards of the Pacific Ship Repair Corp. Coleman, who had commanded the transport for the past 15 months, has been ordered to command of Destroyer Squadron 15.

Rear Adm. Cecil L. Andrews (MC) relieved Rear Adm. Thomas

G. Hays (MC) as commanding officer of the hospital in ceremonies attended by Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz. The hospital celebrated its 21st "birthday" the day following the ceremony. Hays retired after finishing 35 years of service.

SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE, Thursday, Sept. 5, 1963

## Capt. E. S. Manown Dies at 46

Captain Edward S. Manown, who participated in 17 sea battles in World War II as gunnery officer on the cruiser San Francisco, died Tuesday of a heart attack at Oakland Naval Hospital.

He had been serving as commander of the Navy's receiving station at Treasure Island when he complained of chest pains last Thursday. He was hospitalized Friday.

The 46-year-old officer was born in Calgary, Canada, and began his Navy career as an enlisted man. He was graduated from the Navy Academy in 1938, and from then until 1945 he served aboard the cruiser San Francisco.

He was one of the few officers who survived when the warship was crippled and almost sunk by the Japanese off Guadalcanal in 1942.

Later he commanded the destroyer Fechteler and the attack transport Navarro, with shore billets in between.

Surviving are his wife, Maureen, of Yerba Buena Island, a daughter, Susan, 17, and his mother, Nova Manown of Casper, Wyo.

Funeral arrangements are pending.

## Startling Mental Record Of Gate Bridge 'Racer'

From Page 1

"Favorably impressed with aspects of (New's) case and could see no reason to deprive Mr. New of his driving license."

### NO RECORD

"We issued a new driver's license on the basis of the medical recommendation and the fact that New had no record of traffic violations or accidents since he first obtained a license in 1949," said Bright.

R. V. Thunen, chief of the division of driver's licenses of the Motor Vehicle Department, said the only criteria for issuing driving licenses to persons newly released from mental hospitals are the past traffic records of the drivers.

"We have no medical people of our own to make diagnoses," said Bright.

### COURT

New, a short, husky man, appeared briefly before Municipal Judge Fitzgerald Ames yesterday on a charge of manslaughter. The case was continued a week to permit New to obtain counsel.

New, who is free on \$2200 bail, wore a blue-and-gold warmup jacket of the Alameda Hellcats for his court appearance. Outside the courtroom, he said he had played guard for three years for the Hellcats, a football team at the Alameda Naval Air Station.

Highway Patrolman said New had been traveling at least 70 miles an hour when he hit Arthur Olson, 59, 1126 Court road, Novato, a maintenance foreman at work on the Bridge roadway.

IMPULSE

New said he had decided "on an impulse" to try to set a speed record for the trip from Santa Rosa to San Francisco and had been "bumping along" at speeds of 100 and 110 miles an hour when he first reached the bridge.

"I saw him at the last second," said New. "If he had dived right instead of left, I'd of missed him."

"You're damned right I'm sorry. You just don't kill a man and not repent."

New said that in repentance he had "baptized" himself during the time he was in city prison and had also prayed for the soul of the dead man.

### BREAKDOWN

New, who lives at 1139 Schiller street, Alameda, said he was a chief boilerman in the Navy when he suffered a "nervous breakdown" in 1960 and was sent to Oakland Naval Hospital.

He said he had been discharged after 18 years in the Navy last September as "an apparent, schizophrenic and a diabetic."

Officials at the Oakland hospital said he had been treated there "over a three-year period," then had been discharged to the Veterans Administration Hospital at Palo Alto in September, 1963. TTS 947.

### APPLICATION

New applied for a new license on his discharge from the hospital, and was tranted one after a hearing.

"It is absolutely impossible sometimes to know," said Thunen, chief of the license division. "You are confronted with a man who appears to be in a satisfactory condition and the psychiatrist tells you the best thing to do is to

restore him to society."

The Department held "about 10,000" hearings last year in mental disability cases, and has withheld the licenses of about half these persons, he declared.

### CHECKS

"We used to check the driving record of every mental patient, but the work pressures on the department are so great that now we can only look into those cases which are marked by violent behavior or which are brought to our attention by the doctors."

The Department learned that New had a record of mental illness only because he had been honest enough to admit this in answer to a question on his application for a driver's license.

After discharge from the Navy last year, New worked as a ranch hand at Calistoga until three weeks ago, when he became a uniformed guard for a San Francisco private patrol company.

New said the company had sent out to his house yesterday morning and had taken back his uniform.

"I'm fired," he said.

SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE, Tuesday, Sept. 3, 1963

## New Post for Admiral Hays

Rear Admiral Thomas G. Hays, the Navy surgeon who commanded Oakland Naval Hospital until his recent retirement, is the new executive director of the San Francisco Society for Crippled

Children and Adults.

His appointment was announced yesterday.

Dr. Hays entered the Navy in 1928 following his graduation from the University of Illinois College of Medicine.

He was on continuous active duty until June of this year with the last five years spent in command of Oak Knoll.

He and his wife now live at 94 Encanto avenue.



## Doctors to Meet At Navy Hospital

Rear Admiral C. L. Andrews, commanding officer of the Oakland Naval Hospital, and his staff will be hosts Sept. 16 at the annual Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association's hospital meeting.

The event brings together East-bay and Navy doctors. It is a tradition dating back to the hospital's early days. The program will begin at 6:30 p.m.



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## BUGGING FIRES

Edward M. Hanrahan has succeeded Jim Costello, who is on leave before retirement, as chief fire inspector. Hanrahan was in the Center's Fire Branch from 1945 to 1960, then transferred to Oak Knoll before returning here. In World War II the native of Cambridge, Mass., had two years of Pacific duty as a Seabee, and a year of general Navy service. He was discharged as a carpenter's mate first class. He and his wife, Margaret, make their home at 362A 45th St., Oakland. They have three married children.



**LEGION HONORS HIS WORK**—William G. Sundin (center) who has shown 2,341 movies to patients at the Oakland Naval Hospital, Tuesday night received a life membership from Warren Abbott (right) commander of the Capt. Bill Erwin post, and Warren W. Wildman, past commander.

## Red Cross Recruiting Gray Ladies

An appeal for volunteers for the Red Cross' Gray Lady program at Oakland Naval Hospital has been made by Mrs. Lee Waybright, chairman of the program.

She said volunteer workers are needed who can serve as senior hostesses, ward assistants, or as instructors in various phases of occupational therapy at the hospital.

People are needed who can devote at least one afternoon a week.



KANDY MURRAY, ANN FOX, KATHY HUGHES, KATHY COSGROVE  
... 100 "lamps of humanity" on cake for Red Cross volunteers

## Teen-Age Summer of Service

By LOUISE JESCHEN WRIGHT

Fifty-two Eastbay students (48 high school girls, two high school boys and two college girls) donated more than 1,000 hours of service this summer to U.S. Naval Hospital in East Oakland, Rear Adm. C. L. Andrews, commanding officer of the hospital, announced today.

Recruited through Oakland, Alameda and Berkeley Red Cross chapters, they served as office assistants, aided Gray Ladies in performing personal

Langstroth, Sherry Markwart, Kandy Murray, Judy Roth, Sherry Steffens and Lora Williams.

From Alameda Chapter: Barbara Baker, Karen Beer, Janice Cantu, Jo Ellen Cope-land, Kathleen Dashiell, Jean Echtermeyer, Ann Fox, Linda

Gladwill, Kathy Hughes, Cathy Hurst, Pat Immethum, Laurie Jamison, Sherry Meyers, Linda Schannell and Leta Wells.

And from Berkeley: Pattie Coleman, Barbara Frazier, Jackie Grover, Patricia Har-der, Margaret Hincks, Shirley Hirose, Margie Kagawa, Carol

and Lynea Katayama, Janet and Phyllis Nawata, Christine Nobori, Bonnie Noller, Carol Ono, Beverley Petri, Carol Raumer, Barbara Rutherford, Frances Tanabe, Doris Tay-lor, Sharon Trener, Mariea Tarver, Kim Volpe, Janet Werson and Katherine Wood.

## World of Women

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services, helped prepare and distribute craft projects to patients, provided recreation in the adult and children's wards.

Some washed delicate glass-ware in the research labora-tory. Others prepared surgical dressings in the central supply room or made swabs for the eye, ear, nose and throat de-partment.

In souvenir programs passed out to volunteers at a recent tea in their honor, Ad-miral Andrews commended the boys and girls for "depend-able and business - like per-formance of duty," adding he hoped they had gained "some insight into the vast field of patient care and the many ca-reer opportunities it offers."

The two boys were Melvin Lee of Alameda and Francis Bay of Berkeley.

Girls from Oakland Chapter were Trinetta Carr, Michele Cole, Kathy Cosgrove, Nancy Garner, Anne Jeffery, Jan

## Cited for Summer Service



RED CROSS VOLUNTEERS Ann Fox, Kathy Hughes and Kathy Cosgrove (left to right) were among 52 youth workers honored at the Naval Hospital, Oakland, Calif., for their service during the summer months. The cake was decorated with a hundred "lamps of humanity" the 100th anniversary symbol of Red Cross service.

## Sailor Dies in Auto Crash at The Posey Tube

A young sailor died early yesterday from injuries he received in an accident at the Alameda entrance of the Posey Tube under the Oak-land estuary.

Three other Navy men were injured.

The dead youth was Sea-man Guy Hawkins Jr., 20.

Petty Officer, Third Class William Flowers, 22, was in critical condition at Oakland Naval Hospital. The driver of the car, Boiler Tender Third Class Ike R. Winfrey, 20, and Signalman Third Class Ronald Herbst, 20, were less seriously hurt.

The sailors' car sideswiped another going the opposite direction and slammed into the portal abutment of the tube.

## CRASH IN ESTUARY TUBE KILLS SAILOR

An off-duty sailor was killed, and his three companions in-jured when their automobile sideswiped another vehicle and crashed into a concrete abut-ment at the Alameda entrance to the new Posey tube.

Dead is Guy Holland Hawkins Jr., 20, a seaman from the USS Vega. Another seaman from the Vega, Ronald B. Her-best, 20, was injured. Also in-jured were Ike R. Winfrey, 20, and William A. Flowers, 22, from the USS Zelima. Flowers is in critical condition. He suf-fered severe head injuries.

Witnesses told police the car, driven by Winfrey, was moving at a high rate of speed last night when it sideswiped a car in an adjoining traffic lane, approach-ing the tube entrance. The driver of the other car, Charles Fisher, 43, of 115A Singleton Ave., Alameda, was unhurt.

The sailors' vehicle careened some 200 feet farther before striking the abutment. Traffic accidents claimed the lives of two other Northern Californians Wednesday.

Four-year-old Ronald Sanchez, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sanchez of 1751 Sunnydale Ave., San Francisco, died under the wheels of a milk delivery truck operated by Peter Farrell, 22, of 1387 22nd Ave. San Francisco.

Farrell told police he chased a crowd of youngsters away from his parked truck. He heard a "thump" as he started the vehicle, and emerged to find the boy and the wreckage of his tricycle under the truck's right front wheel.

A pickup truck crash 16 miles west of Reno killed a man iden-tified by the California High-way Patrol as Rell D. Gillock, 39, of 1424 Youngs Lane, Yuba City. Patrolmen said the truck, driven by Buck Townsend, 37, of Olivehurst, overturned near Bordertown. Townsend, and another passenger, Barney Gil-lock, 44, of Olivehurst, suffered minor injuries. The Gillocks were brothers.





LT. ROBERT C. CEFALO  
Top seminar honors

## Oakland Navy Doctor Wins Honor in S.F.

An Oakland naval physician took top honors in the Armed Forces Seminar on Obstetrics and Gynecology held at Letterman Army Hospital, San Francisco.

He is Lt. Robert C. Cefalo, MC, UNS, who is in his third year of residency training in obstetrics and gynecology at the U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland.

Dr. Cefalo received the John Simpson Award given each year for the best presentation by an armed forces obstetrician and shared the Lloyd Brothers Award for an outstanding paper.

Dr. Cefalo, his wife Mary and their three children live in the naval hospital compound.

## Admiral Nimitz Injured in Fall

Fleet Adm. Chester Nimitz is in Oakland Naval Hospital today with a knee injury incurred when he tripped and fell in the Federal Office Building in San Francisco.

Doctors said the injury, described as a pulled muscle in the right knee, is "minor" and reported that the 79-year-old Nimitz should be able to return home in a few days.

Nimitz tripped Thursday on the last step of a stairway inside the building and fell down on the knee. Navy spokesmen reported.

OAKLAND, Calif.—Lt. Robert C. Cefalo of the Naval Hospital here took top honors at the 12th annual Armed Forces Seminar on Obstetrics and Gynecology at Letterman Army Hospital, San Francisco.



CELEBRATION—Mrs. Ella Rose, a Red Cross volunteer worker since World War I, is honored on her 75th birthday anniversary by (from left) Norman Bullard, James Whiddon, Jay Bowers, Joe Branstetter, Kenneth Brann and Ronnie Losinger. Party was held in the Red Cross lounge of Oakland Naval Hospital.

## Obituaries

### Dr. E. Dickinson

Fort Bragg, Mendocino County

Dr. Everett Homer Dickinson, a Stanislaus County medical official, died Friday while on an outing near here with the Bohemian Club of San Francisco. He was 66.

Dr. Dickinson, who assumed his position in 1959 and was a resident of Modesto, suffered an apparent heart attack.

During his career Dr. Dickinson was chief of surgery at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland, commanding officer of the U. S. Naval Medical Dispensary in San Francisco, associate professor of surgery at Stanford University Medical Center and chief of surgery of St. Joseph Hospital in San Francisco.

Surviving are his wife, Helen; three daughters, Mrs. E. Douglas Horning of Annapolis, Md., Mrs. J. Philip Rogers of North Abington, Mass., and Mrs. Jack W. McCarley of Stockton; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services are pending here.

Our Correspondent

## WASHINGTON Scrapbook

By Walter Trohan

Chicago Tribune Press Service

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9—Chairman Emanuel Celler (D., N. Y.) said the compromise civil rights bill was approved by his judiciary committee because "we were organized."

"It reminds me," Celler went on, "of the story of the man who told his big, strong hired hand to go into a field and tame a wild bull. That chore accomplished, he told the man to bridle a wild horse."

"When that was done the employer said, 'Climb that tree and destroy that hornets' nest.' But the big strong employee balked at that assignment and when asked why he said, 'That bull was alone, and that wild horse was alone, but those hornets, they're organized.'"

Chairman Howard Smith (D., Va.) of the House rules committee confides to friends that President Kennedy has ordered orange juice removed from the White House menu—

"It looks too much like Goldwater."

AIR FORCE CAPT. JAMES METZ recently got more training with the navy than he bargained for while assigned as an exchange pilot to fly off the carrier Saratoga. One day he had a power failure at 1,000 feet, but safely ejected from the aircraft into the ocean.

While waiting to be picked up, Capt. Metz ignited smoke flares, spread dye marker, boarded his inflated life raft, set up



Smith (left), Dole (center), and Celler.

a solar water still, signaled with a mirror, and started fighting so he could have some food. Metz is an air force safety and survival officer.

Rep. Bob Dole (R., Kas.) looked up from a news report citing the need for a larger acreage of sugar beets to meet the sugar shortage. "That's what my state needs—more beet-niks," said Dole.

THE UNITED STATES NAVAL institute proceedings reports that a WAVE out in the Oakland navy hospital was helping a mother dress her 3-day old baby to take home. The baby's dress was pale yellow, and it was wrapped in a yellow basket. "I'm always surprised how different they look in civilian clothes," the WAVE remarked as she handed the baby to its mother.

Roll Call, the Capitol hill weekly, says it was flattering of Fidel Castro to blame Hurricane Flora on the United States. "but if he checks his insurance company he will find the storm classified as an act of someone even higher than Kennedy."

THE SAME PUBLICATION also notes that Gov. William Scranton of Pennsylvania says he would accept an honest G. O. P. Presidential draft, and adds: "Confucius say man who wait for draft get cold shoulder."

### Glenn E. Ward

Funeral services for Glenn Eastman Ward, 53, an electrical inspector for the City of San Leandro and a retired Navy chief petty officer, will be held Tuesday.

Mr. Ward, who lived at 584 Maud Ave., San Leandro, died Wednesday at the Oak Knoll Naval Hospital. He was past president of the Fleet Reserve Association, branch No. 10, the International Association of Electrical Inspectors, and the City Employees Association of San Leandro.

Surviving are his widow, Estella; a son, Robert K., and a daughter, Mrs. Marjorie Curtis, both of San Leandro; a sister, Mrs. Harriett McClaib, of Walnut Creek; and two grandchildren.

The services will be held at 2 p.m. in the Guerrero and Seramur Mortuary Chapel, 407 Estudillo Ave., San Leandro. Fleet Reserve Memorial services will be held in the chapel at 8 p.m. Monday.

### Dr. E. H. Dickinson

Dr. Everett H. Dickinson, 66, Stanislaus County medical officer and former chief of surgical service at Oakland Naval Hospital, collapsed and died at the Little River Inn near Mendocino.

He was visiting there with fellow members of the Bohemian Club of San Francisco when he was stricken with a heart attack Friday.

Dr. Dickinson served from 1949 to 1952 at the Oakland facility and later was executive officer of the Memphis Naval Hospital. He also served as commanding officer of the U.S. Naval Medical Dispensary in San Francisco.





VETERANS' YULE COMMITTEE MARKS 40TH YEAR  
Mary Valle and Arthur Ames signal fund drive start

## Annual Vets Yule Campaign Opens

"Not one shall be forgotten." This pledge, made 40 years ago to hospitalized veterans, continues to be lived up to by the Veterans Hospital Christmas Committee.

With the Yule season fast approaching, the committee has launched its annual campaign to provide gifts, entertainment and decor for otherwise drab hospital rooms.

The goal this year is \$18,000. Thus far, the perennial backers—veterans, fraternal, labor, church and service organizations—have contributed \$639 to kick off the fund campaign.

"Much more, of course, is needed, but we are confident people of the Bay Area will respond, as they have in the past, to this very worthwhile cause," said Arthur C. Ames, committee president.

Ames said this year's campaign goal is \$2,500 less than 1962, brought about by economies in operations and the moving of Oakland Veterans Hospital to Contra Costa County.

The usual "full treatment" is

planned for patients at Oakland Naval Hospital and the Veterans Administration Hospital at Livermore.

Veterans at the new Contra Costa hospital will, however, be presented with personalized gifts.

Helping Ames to coordinate the annual fund appeal are Bry-

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ant King and Thomas Mullen, vice presidents; Mary Valle, secretary-treasurer, and Arthur L. Daniels, junior past president.

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## ADM. NIMITZ RECOVERING FROM INJURY

Fleet Adm. Chester Nimitz is reported in good condition today at Oakland Naval Hospital recovering from a knee injury incurred when he tripped and fell Oct. 10 at the Federal Office Building in San Francisco.

A hospital spokesman said there have been no complications, that the 78-year-old Naval hero is "doing well" and that he is expected to be released within 10 days or two weeks.

Nimitz had pulled a muscle in his right knee when he tripped on the last step of a stairway inside the building, the spokesman said.

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## GIVE—For Those Who Gave

Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee,  
4444 East 14th St.,  
Oakland 1, California

This is my way of saying "Merry Christmas" to the wounded and ill men and women in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties' three military and veteran's hospitals.

Here is my gift of \$..... to help you reach your goal of \$18,000 for gifts, entertainment and Christmas decorations for these men and women.

NAME .....  
ADDRESS .....

This coupon may be mailed or presented in person with contributions to the committee office.

## CHRISTMAS FUND

### Remember Vets In the Hospital

Veterans Day plus one.  
Christmas Day minus 42.

To most people, the memory of one holiday will grow faint as the other approaches.

There are exceptions—the people for whom "veterans" and "Christmas" are inseparable. Hundreds of them work each year to decorate the wards at Alameda County's Veterans Administration Hospital and U.S. Naval Hospital.

There are others also members of the Veterans' Hospital Christmas Committee—who will wrap Christmas Gifts, or arrange entertainment.

There are the veterans and servicemen themselves, whose holidays the committee hopes to brighten.

And there is the backbone of the entire holiday project—those who contribute their dollars and cents to the fund drive.

As the campaign shifts into high gear—on Christmas Day minus 42—the "backbone" is already making headway toward the \$18,000 goal:

OAKLAND  
Widows of World War I, Chap. 8: \$ 5.00  
Scottish Rite Ladies Club: 20.00

Diamond Laurel Lions Club	10.00
Oakland Aux. No. 231, VFW	10.00
C. B. S. Construction Inc.	10.00
Laundry Workers Union No. 2	10.00
Clifford Electric	10.00
Daley Body Co.	25.00
Yellow Cab Co.	10.00
Provision Meat Co.	15.00
Oakland Lodge No. 43, Ladies Auxiliary	10.00
Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen	10.00
Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators & Paperhangers, Local No. 137	50.00
Peerless Stages, Inc.	5.00
Foothill Blvd. Women's Club, Inc.	10.00
F. B. M. Corp. Oakland Branch	10.00
Brooklyn Parlor No. 157, N.D.G.W.	5.00
Lionel C. & Eleanor A. Raymond	5.00
East Bay Navy Aux., No. 3765, V.F.W.	10.00
Absil Invidia Rebekah Lodge	5.00
American Legion Service Club	50.00
A. Ferer & Co.	10.00
Swedish Society of Oakland	10.00

OTHER CITIES	
V.F.W. Post No. 454, Antioch	10.00
Ladies Aux. VFW, No. 2125	5.00
Benicia	
Sequoia Parlor No. 272, NDGW	5.00

El Cerrillo	2.50	San Lorenzo Unit No. 375, American Legion Auxiliary, Hayward	10.00
Clearprint Paper Co., Inc.	10.00	Long Memorial Aux. No. 8254, VFW, Ione	10.00
Emeryville		Anona Parlor No. 164, NDGW, Jamestown	1.00
Gustafson-Thompson Unit, American Legion Auxiliary, Escalon	5.00	Eschscholtz Parlor No. 112, NDGW, Elma	2.50
Angela Parlor No. 32, NDGW, Livermore	3.50		
		Previously acknowledged	\$5,191.59
		Total	\$5,465.09

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DR. HAROLD A. HARPER  
Medical Center dean

## UC Educator Is Cited by High School

The faculty and alumni of St. Ignatius High School will present their annual "Christ, the King" award to Dr. Harold A. Harper, dean of the graduate division of the University of California Medical Center, it was announced yesterday.

The award is made annually, to an alumnus of the school, for professional prominence and outstanding character and principles.

Dr. Harper is professor of biochemistry at the medical school and a lecturer in the School of Public Health on the Berkeley campus.

The award will be presented at the Mass preceding the annual alumni family communion breakfast to be held at St. Ignatius Church on Sunday. Reservations may be made through the alumni office of the school, SKYline 2-8811.

## Oak Knoll Meeting



Receiving guests at the annual Oak Knoll Meeting are (l. to r.) Paul Cronenwett, M.D., ACCMA Vice-President; Harold Kay, M.D., ACCMA President; Admiral C. L. Andrews, Commandant, Oak Knoll Naval Hospital; Carl Goetsch, M.D., ACCMA Secretary-Treasurer; and Capt. W. S. Baker, Executive Officer of Oak Knoll Naval Hospital. Over 300 physicians attended this year's meeting, the first for Admiral Andrews and the liveliest in years.



Many lady doctors were aboard the night of September 16th, including Drs. Dorothy Allen, Helen Thomson, and Helen Snook pictured above.



The evening's scientific program was conducted by Cdr. Donald Edwards, Cdr. Donald Robinson and Cdr. Raymond Watten shown in top photo. Bottom shot shows ACCMAers Drs. William Stiles, Earl Stern and Alexander Hatoff, lining up for some Steamboat Roast.

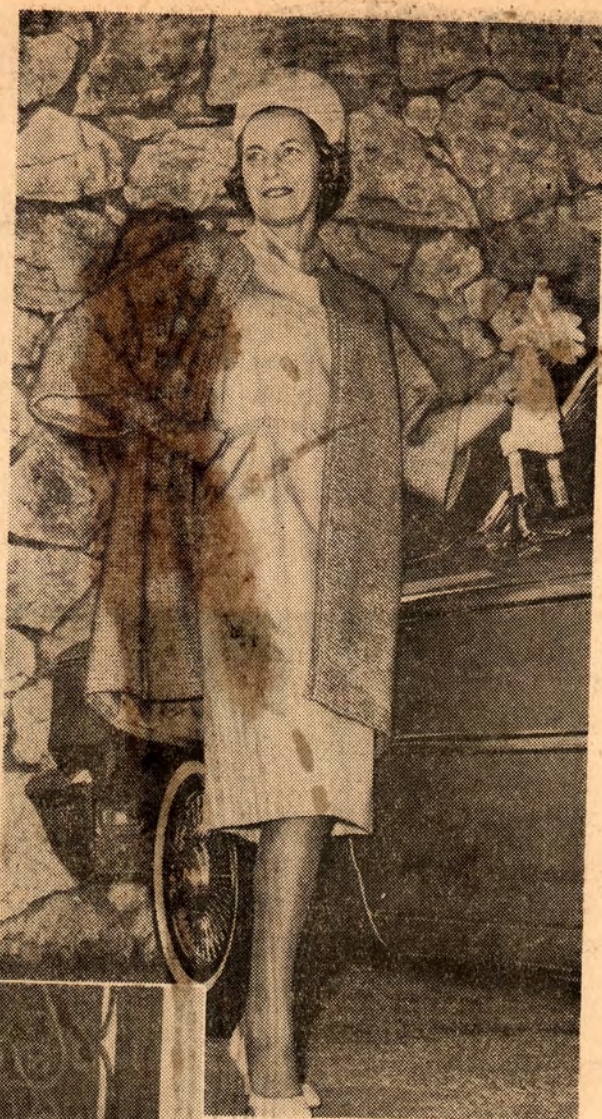


## Woman At Home

JEAN HAMILL blithely faces the fashion competition familiar to the wives of military officers. It begins at home—the spit-and-polish perfection of uniforms setting stiff standards of appearance—continues to the ends of the earth. At each post are other wives who have collected glamorous wardrobe additions in far and interesting stations.

*Fashion*

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WRAGGE SUIT in orange and yellow reflects Jean Hamill's feeling for color.



CAPT. HAMILL snaps Jean in handknit Irish sweater, Irish skirt, jelly silk blouse on Officers Club green at historic Oak Knoll.



OF SERIOUS mien is Mme. President in Tricosa three piece knit of topaz color for business meet.

## At Home

CAPTAIN JAMES Edward Hamill, chief of psychiatry at Oak Knoll Navy Hospital, and Jean were married in Maryland on New Year's Eve 19 years ago, reached their present home in Castro Valley via private practice in Texas and an impressive list of military posts. In San Diego the doctor was with the Marines and Jean had the unique distinction of being vice president of the Officers Wives Club of the rival service. Now she is president of the Oak Knoll wives club and has ignited a blaze of interest in more activities than the venerable organization has known in ages.

TREEBARK creeps as blue as her eyes, perfect for Oak Knoll Officers Club gala in fine old setting.



## At Home

FASHION is just catching up with the layered look Jean has long used effectively. "It's a way of dressing that allows service wives to move their wardrobes from warmer to colder climates," she says.

Devoted to tweeds, knits and sportive wraps such as her racoon collared trench coat, she wears her clothes with casual elegance. Preferring the unaffected in both fashion and people, she contradicts herself dashing when it comes to jewelry and sunglasses. The first she loves to "pile on" with evening clothes, the second she adores in wild colors and designs and, makes of them a smart accessory to spark a color scheme.

During the doctor's long absences (as for a recent research project at our Antarctic bases) she keeps herself busy with oil painting; teaching daughter Karen to ride English style; rooting for Tim's Foothill High frosh football team; helping Steve, a senior at Castro Valley High, make plans for entering the University of Maryland.

And, of course, keeping a baker's dozen activities of Officers Wives club on the right track.

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### Naval Hospital Finds Firstborn

OAKLAND, Calif. — Patient at the Naval Hospital here, 20-year-old Gary L. Seht, seaman, strolled into the hospital's obstetrics and gynecology service late last month.

The sailor wasn't lost; he wanted to confirm what his relatives had told him.

Seht leafed through an old baby-arrivals log and found that he was the first born in the Oak Knoll hospital, Aug. 4, 1943, while his father was serving in the Pacific.

The hospital's first baby will soon be released to inactive duty after serving aboard the missile cruiser Providence out of Yokosuka, Japan. Young Seht plans to attend IBM school in the San Francisco area.

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### VETS' CHRISTMAS

## Yule Decorations Up in Hospitals

Decorations of all sizes, colors and shapes appeared over the weekend in two Alameda County hospitals containing some 1,300 veterans and servicemen.

Hundreds of volunteers of the Veterans Hospitals' Christmas Committee participated in the huge project.

"Everything went without a hitch," said committee president Art Ames.

"When we finished, everybody at Oakland Naval Hospital and at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Livermore knew Christmas was just around the corner.

"The decorations really brightened things up."

Meanwhile contributions to the committee continue to pour in, even though the \$18,000 goal has been reached. The extra funds will be held over for use next year.

Contributions:	
OAKLAND	
W. J. Woods	\$ 5.00
Anon.	3.00
Oakland Police and Fire Pensioners Assn., Inc.	10.00
Betas and Liners	5.00
Barbara Springer	25.00
Freda C. Stoneback	5.00
S. M. Lewis	1.00
Mrs. R. A. Freeman	2.00
Mrs. and Mrs. Geo. P. Sorensen	5.00
R. E. Foster	5.00
Mrs. Clara E. Culbert	5.00
In memory of Stanley S. Davis, M.D.	20.00
Tribune Mailers, Third Floor	20.00
Helen H. Whitehead	5.00
Joe L. Atterbury	5.00
Mrs. and Mrs. R. D. Boyd	10.00
Anon.	1.00
East Oakland Post No. 3811	10.00
V.F.W.	5.00
Mrs. Vera Cantando	5.00
Mrs. H. P. Williamson	5.00
Peter Brickell	5.00
In memory of Burdell S. Whitman	10.00
Mrs. Georgiana Hutton	5.00
Ed M. Phillips	1.00
Redmont Chapter, D.A.R.	5.00
Glo and Amy Del Bonta	1.00
Elouise Carraber	1.00
Frances S. Rosenheim	2.50
Velyn M. Pedroll	5.00
ALAMEDA	
Vivian A. Mitchell	5.00
Mrs. Edith G. Walker	5.00
Division 450, Overhaul and Repair	28.80
Mrs. Olive R. Pope	5.00
Mrs. T. E. Moore	2.00
Past Matrons of Alameda Chapter No. 355, O.E.S.	10.00
ALBANY	
Anon.	5.00
Eugene S. Nyliet	1.00
BERKELEY	
Campanile Post No. 402	10.00
American Legion	10.00
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Proud hunters from Letterman and Oak Knoll Hospitals, perched aboard a small truck near Robbins, Sutter County, display part of the results of the morning's shooting. Bee Photo

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## Navy Tells Where All Your Money is Going

The U. S. Navy, the largest single business in the Bay Area, has once again issued its "annual report to the stockholders."

More than \$2 billion was poured into the Northern California, Nevada and Utah economy during the year, reported Rear Adm. E. E. Yeomans, commandant of the 12th Naval District.

Pay for 39,100 civilians totaled \$281 million, and amounted to \$85 million for 41,700 shore-based sailors and Marines and for 12,450 reservists.

Another \$1.6 billion was spent to provide ships and installations with utilities, supplies, services, equipment and military hardware.

### TOP RECIPIENT

The largest single recipient of Navy money was the Missile Division of Lockheed Corp. in Sunnyvale, which won \$498 million as prime contractor in the Polaris missile program.

The "more than \$2 billion" figure does not include \$34 million paid to 21,700 sailors and Marines serving on 48 ships home-ported here, and to personnel of 10 air groups.

### DEPENDENTS PAY

Nor does it include \$73 million paid to military dependents and retired personnel residing in the district.

### Some local breakdowns:

Oakland Naval Supply Center—Called the "world's largest supply center," it paid more than \$27 million in salaries, installed a \$2.5 million automation program, and paid out \$46.8 million in local purchases and service contracts.

Alameda Naval Air Station—

Paid out \$63 million to 7,565 civilians and 1,540 station-based military personnel; paid another \$26 million to 12,000 ships' personnel; spent \$30 million to operate the facility; and spent \$3.3 million on 200 new housing units.

Mare Island — paid out \$125 million for services, equipment and materials. Salaries for 10,000 civilians and 300 military personnel amounted to \$65 million.

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PRESENTATION—Rear Adm. Cecil L. Andrews (left), commanding officer of the Oakland Naval Hospital, accepts part of a \$16,000 hi-fi system from Mrs. Olive Lenhart, Holman O. Lenhart and retired Navy Capt. Wells C. Felts. The instruments will entertain patients in medical wards and clinics. Lenhart is president of the Pacific Instrument Co. of Oakland. Felts is his assistant.

PAGE 6 SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE, Tuesday, Dec. 17, 1963

## Navy Spending Tops \$2 Billion

The Navy spent more than \$2 billion in Northern California, Nevada and Utah this year, Rear Admiral E. E. Yeomans of the 12th Naval District announced yesterday.

The payroll for 39,100 civilian workers totaled \$281.3 million. Pay for 11,700 shore-based sailors and Marines, and for 12,450 active reserv-

ists, totalled \$85.3 million.

The largest Navy contractors was the Lockheed Corporation missile division at Sunnyvale, which received \$498 million as prime contractor in the Navy's Polaris missile program.

"The Navy is still the biggest single business in the Bay Area," Admiral Yeomans said.

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Friday, Dec. 27, 1963  
San Francisco Chronicle

## Defense Funds For Bay Area Hospitals

Washington  
The tentative Department of Defense budget for 1964-65 includes \$28.6 million for two new military hospitals in the San Francisco Bay Area, it was learned yesterday.

The money will finance a new \$14.3 million, 550-bed Letterman Army hospital and a new \$14.3 million, 650-bed Oakland (Oak Knoll) Naval hospital.

Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara announced last June that he would seek the money to build the new hospitals.

Associated Press

## Plans Readied to Rebuild Two Bay Service Hospitals

The Defense Department is ready to go ahead with plans to rebuild the Oakland Naval Hospital and Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco on their present sites.

Included in the department's 1964-65 budget submitted for congressional subcommittee that

approval to the Bureau of the Budget is \$14.3 million for a new 650-bed hospital on the Oakland Naval Hospital grounds and \$14.3 million for a 550-bed facility at the Presidio in San Francisco.

The request apparently spikes a recommendation by a joint congressional subcommittee that

the two hospitals be consolidated in Oakland for economy reasons.

If approved by the Bureau of the Budget and President Lyndon Johnson, the money will be included in the budget and Congress will review the construction program early in 1964.

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The present 925-bed Oakland Naval Hospital consists of more than 130 buildings, most of them temporary frame structures built during World War II. Letterman now has a capacity of about 1,000 patients. Some of the buildings date back to the Spanish-American war.

The normal patient load at both hospitals is about 750. Oakland Naval and Letterman General treat active, reserve and retired military personnel and service dependents.

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## Wallet Grabbers Beat Sailor

BERKELEY—Jay L. Barringer, 38, a Navy enlisted man stationed at Treasure Island, was beaten over the head with a tire iron early today by two men who demanded his wallet.

Barringer, who lives at 945 University Ave., suffered three severe cuts on the head. He was treated at Herrick Memorial Hospital and transferred to Oakland Naval Hospital.

He told Berkeley police officer Martin Pursley that the men accosted him as he was assisting two friends into his car at Ninth Street and University Avenue.

Witnesses disagreed on descriptions of the assailants. Barringer's wallet, which contained no money, was missing.



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## Deadly Gas Cloud On Bay Dock

By Bob Robertson

A wind-whipped white cloud of lethal chlorine gas turned the pier 4 area of the Oakland Naval Supply Center into a weeping, coughing, gasping bedlam yesterday morning.

More than 175 military and civil service employees were sent to hospitals after inhaling the noxious fumes, which escaped when a big, pressurized cylinder was dropped on the dock where it broke.

Two of this number were in serious condition. They are  
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## The Big Poison Gas Scare

### Deadly Fumes on Waterfront

From Page 1

William Washington, 57, of 711 47th street, Oakland, a stevedore, and Pete Ladjimi, 64, of Los Angeles, a ship's fireman.

Thirty-five others were kept for observation and further treatment, most of them at Oakland Naval Hospital, which became the disaster-treatment center of the episode.

The rest were given oxygen therapy and sent home or to private physicians. Hundreds of other warehouse and office workers within a half-mile radius suffered eye and throat irritation.

A Navy spokesman, who hinted there had been a breach of safety precautions, said an investigation will be launched immediately.

The unnerving episode — many thought it was an enemy attack — began at 8:30 a.m. as stevedores were preparing to load the freighter President Grant for her scheduled departure for Pacific ports last night.

As four gangs set up the shipboard rigging, others moved a train of six dock carts into position on the dock for unloading. Each of the 3½-foot-high carts bore a heavy steel cylinder, five feet long by two and one-half feet in diameter, filled with 2000 pounds of liquid chlorine.

Then, a wheel on one of the carts struck a hole, one of the cylinders teetered, then rolled off and crashed to the pavement.

A seam parted and the lethal cloud began hissing forth and billowing out toward open water on the prevailing wind.

#### SHIFT

Then, suddenly, the wind shifted and enveloped the fleeing throng of some 50 workmen on the dock. A dozen ship's crewmen and an estimated 40 stevedores, trapped on board the Grant because the gangway was directly above the hissing cylinder, crowded onto the bow of the ship and clung desperately for a ladder.

Blinded and gasping, the men on the dock stumbled toward on-shore refuge.

Naval Supply Center Fireman Jack Bua, 45, of 1415 156th avenue, San Leandro, braved the fumes and finally got a ladder up to the men trapped on board. They clambered down, holding their breaths as long as possible, and ran for safety.

#### PANDEMONIUM

In the pandemonium, crewman Gill Alexander, 31, of San Pedro, missed a friend, looked back and saw him leaning helplessly against the warehouse on the dock. Alexander dashed back into the thickening cloud and led him out.

"Aw, I felt in pretty good shape anyhow," Alexander said from his hospital bed.

Base firemen wearing smoke masks arrived on the scene, administering emer-



Firemen hosed down the dock and the broken cylinder to remove the chlorine. Crewmen and some dockworkers escaped from the ship's bow by using a ladder (arrow).

gency oxygen to the sickened victims.

By now, wisps of the big chlorine cloud, born on capricious eddies of wind, began afflicting persons far from the immediate scene.

#### POLICEMAN

Federal policeman C. J. Ganci, 56, of 46 Manila avenue, Oakland, took a post at the street end of Pier 4 and directed vehicular traffic away. He ended up in the hospital with the others.

Sixty-eight men on the Navy survey ship USS Davis and on four tug boats—all separated from the President Grant by the huge warehouse on Pier 4—were sickened or suffered stinging eyes and throats. All were treated at the Treasure Island Naval Dispensary and released to private physicians or sent back to duty.

Five repairmen, working on the roof of a Port of Oakland building a half-mile away, were hit by an errant whiff of the gas. Two of them—Curtis Johnson, 39, of 9823 Empire road, Oakland, and Donald Powers, 25, of 1431 east 32nd street, Oakland—were put to bed in fair condition at Merritt Hospital.

At least two crewmen of two other tugs were felled

as their craft plowed through the low-lying cloud, which finally moved out onto the bay and was dissipated. They were Lloyd Sharp, 20, and William Payne, 29, both of whom live at the Supply Center.

About 110 of the casualties were transported from the swamped Naval Supply Center dispensary to Oakland Naval Hospital in police-

escorted buses.

"And I can tell you, man, that bus ride was hell," said stevedore Pearl Jackson, 49, of 9027 Seventh street, Oakland.

During the tortuous half-hour ride, he said, many of the victims passed out or vomited, and all were coughing and gasping and weeping profusely.

At the hospital, some 30

Naval doctors and twice that many nurses and corpsmen swung into action, screening out the less seriously afflicted and putting the others to bed. Those admitted were given intravenous drops of aminophylline, to prevent potentially fatal bronchial spasms, and massive amounts of oxygen.

Captain A. J. Draper, chief of medical service at the hos-

pital, said a big dose of chlorine could be instantly fatal and lesser doses create serious irritation and pneumonia-like release of fluids in the lungs and bronchial tracts.

"You certainly can call chlorine a lethal gas," Captain Draper said. "After all, it was the first one the Germans used in World War I before they got something more refined."

## Hundred Sickened By Fumes

Chlorine gas fumes from a broken cylinder sent more than 100 persons to hospitals today in the Oakland port area.

Oakland Naval Hospital treated 110 and Treasure Island hospital 19 for coughing, vomiting and nausea.

The cylinder was being taken to Pier 4 for loading aboard the American President Lines' U.S. Grant when it rolled off a dock cart and ruptured shortly before 9 a.m.

The cloud of fumes first drifted out over the harbor. Then a wind blew the cloud back.

Fifty-seven of the fumes victims were aboard the liner. Many others were dock workers.

The chlorine gas was being sent to Guam as an insecticide and water purifier.

Oakland police quickly set up traffic barricades to the area.

The Coast Guard put out warnings for all motorists and boats to stay a mile away.

One doctor who treated patients said the symptoms were similar to those of pneumonia.

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January 5, 1964

## 2 Chlorine Victims Still In Hospital

All but two of the 35 chlorine gas victims held overnight at Oakland Naval Hospital were released yesterday.

Doctors said the two still on the serious list—William Washington, 57, of 711 47th street, Oakland, and Pete Ladjimi, 64, of Los Angeles—had prior respiratory conditions.

In all, 175 military and civil service workers were sent to hospitals for at least emergency treatment Friday after inhaling chlorine fumes when a steel cylinder containing 2000 pounds of liquid chlorine fell and cracked open.

The accident happened at the Oakland Naval Supply Depot, where the chlorine containers were being loaded aboard a freighter for Guam.



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## Deadly Gas Leak Sends 200 to Hospital



GAS VICTIM LEONARD ERICKSON CHECKED  
On ship when dockside accident freed chlorine.

### Hundreds Near Dock Evacuated

Nearly 200 dock workers and merchant seamen were hospitalized here today when a 1,000-pound cylinder of deadly chlorine gas fell and ruptured, spewing poisonous fumes over a wide West Oakland waterfront area.

Two are in serious condition. The accident occurred at the Oakland Naval Supply Center at 8:30 a.m. when the cylinders were being brought on dock carts for loading aboard the American President Lines freighter, S.S. President Grant. The alarm brought police, fire equipment and Coast Guard emergency patrols. For a time

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barriades were set up to seal off the area. Some persons in adjacent residences and warehouse buildings were evacuated.

The gas alert was canceled about an hour after the first alarm was sounded — after the dangerous fumes had been dissipated into the atmosphere. There was a danger for a time of explosion and fire since chlorine is highly inflammable when combined with chemicals used in magnesium flares such as those used at traffic accident scenes.

The stricken workers, longshoremen, tug crews and seamen aboard the Grant and the nearby Military Sea Transportation Service troopship, USNS Mitchell, were sped to Oakland Naval Hospital and Treasure Island Naval Dispensary by police escorted buses after preliminary treatment on the base.

At Oakland Naval Hospital, 95 were treated and released and 29 kept for observation. At Treasure Island 55 were treated and dispensary officials at the Supply Center said about 20 additional workers had been treated there.

The two reported seriously injured are William Washington of 771 47th St., Oakland, and Pete Ladjimi of Los Angeles.

The big gas cylinder, five feet long and about 2 1/2 feet in circumference, fell and ruptured about 8:30 a.m. The Oakland Fire Department received its first call from an office worker near the base, who complained of chlorine gas fumes at 8:53 a.m. A few moments later, the Center fire department called and requested help and also asked for the Oakland fire boat. At 9:07 a.m., the Oakland Police Department got its first message for aid. At 9:40, an all clear was sounded.

When the cylinder fell, the poisonous green gas hissed from the metal container and formed a low cloud, drifting out into the Oakland Middle Harbor. The cloud, however, was caught by prevailing breezes and wafted back to the dock area, blanketing workers and crewmen who were scattering to safety.

Most of the victims caught by the gas were coughing, many vomiting and complaining of eye irritation. No residents in the waterfront area were reported affected immediately.

As soon as the alarm was received, Oakland police sent

every available motorcycle officer and squad car into the area to aid in the evacuation. Barriades were set up at Seventh, Eighth and 14th and Franklin Streets, but some residents nearly two miles from the scene complained of a strong smell of garlic in the air; the give-away odor of chlorine gas.

Meanwhile, the Coast Guard sent patrol boats to seal off the entrance to the Middle and Outer Harbors and warned shipping in the Bay and Estuary to steer away from the scene.

The Oakland Fire Department dispatched 24 pieces of equipment including the fire boat "City of Oakland." The San Francisco fire boat also sped to the scene and stood by.

As emergency vehicles rushed to the scene, a "Signal" signal was broadcast by all Bay Area radio stations.

In addition, 19 men were taken by bus to the Naval dispensary at Treasure Island. These were crew members of tugs operating off the piers at the center.

All those affected by the gas were dock workers and crewmen aboard the President Grant as well as the tugs.

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### Hospital to Release 29 Gas Victims

All but two of the 31 men admitted to Oakland Naval Hospital after their skirmish with deadly chlorine gas are expected to be released today.

William T. Washington, 51, a stevedore of 771 47th St., Oakland, and Pete Ladjimi, 64, of Los Angeles, a ship's fireman, were in serious condition following the accident Friday at Oakland Naval Supply Center.

Capt. William S. Baker Jr., acting commander of the hospital, said the other 29 men were held for 24 hours observation and would go home unless "unforeseen complications" occurred.

The men are merchant seamen and civilian dock workers. They are:

Walter J. Oaks, 60, Long Beach; Lawrence E. Smith, 40, 723 Sweeney St., San Francisco; Enoch Pringle, 22, 608 31st, Oakland; Jack P. Bua, 45, 1415 156 Ave., San Leandro; Glen L. Holbrook, 63, 4346 25th St., San Francisco.

William Payne, 29, Joplin, Mo.; Camilo Ganci, 55, 4600 Manila Ave., Oakland; Lowell Harbin, 30, 2380 Market Ave., San Pablo; Charlie Riggs, 52, Larkspur; Thomas V. Jackson, 43, 811 Alvarado St., San Francisco.

Everett J. White, 57, 9012 Burr St., Oakland; Robert H. Williams, 39, 968 Aileen St., Oakland; James Webb, 48, 1701 62nd St., Berkeley; Alexander Gild, 31, San Pedro; Pearlis Jackson, 49, 902 Center St., Oakland; Howard Holman, 39, 1332 53rd Ave., Oakland; Leslie E. Hayes, 49, of 32283 Mission Blvd., Hayward; Michael Gregory, 55, of Kansas City, Mo.

Clarence Bennett, 39, 2443 Sacramento St., Berkeley; and Cedric Simon, 53, California Hotel, Oakland.

Sylvester Brown, 44, 865 42nd St., Oakland; Leroy G. Clark, 42, Long Beach; Isiah Jones, 56, 537 Aileen St., Oakland; John Johnson, 44, 1221 Russell St., Berkeley; Adelard Napoleon Plourde, 64, 415 Jones St., San Francisco.

Edward Melendez, 38, of Torrance; Charley Dickerson, 67, Carleton St., Berkeley; Cecil Henderson, 41, 233 Wistan Rd., Oakland; Martin Person, 45, Redwood City.



# Pier Gas Leak Spreads Terror



Two Oakland Naval Supply Center fireman squat beside the tank from which chlorine spewed free. Manuel Nannini points out the fracture for Joe Rodriguez.



Fellow workers file into the hospital as a white jacketed man leans on rail, sick from chlorine

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Thomas Candelario—choking on deadly chlorine



Chlorine-poisoned deck workers—some described as in "acute distress" from noxious gas—are treated at Oakland Naval Hospital. (Story Page 1.)



# At Oakland Naval Base

# POISON GAS SICKENS 200

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## Chlorine Falls Off Dock Cart

More than 200 workers at the Oakland Naval Supply Center and in nearby private businesses were poisoned by chlorine gas today.

All will recover, doctors said, but 29 will be kept at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital for observation.

The deadly gas wafted across a wide area of the base and to offices and warehouses as far as a mile west of the installation. A shift in the wind dissipated it over the Bay.

The accident occurred when a two-by-four brace on a dock wagon gave way and a chlorine cylinder rolled to the pavement.

"It (the fall) fractured the five-foot cylinder and the gas rose in a dense cloud,"

IT TOOK an emergency crew with gas masks 45 minutes to seal the cylinder.

The gas was noticed by employees at the Owens-Illinois Glass Co., more than a half mile away, and they called police.

At the Navy base, 165 persons, including military and civilian personnel of the base and crews of the freighter President Grant, the transport General Mitchell and the survey ship Darius were poisoned to some degree.

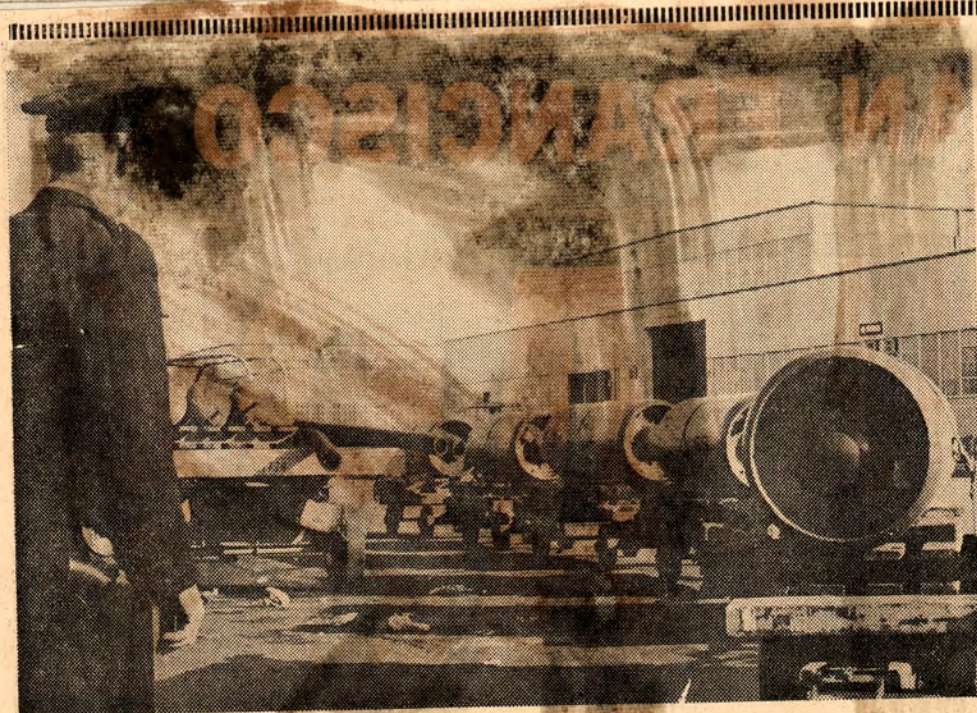
Some 410 were taken to Oak Knoll and 55 to the dispensary at Treasure Island after emergency treatment at the base dispensary.

AT OAK KNOLL, Dr. Arthur Draper, chief of medicine, said at least 12 were in serious condition with danger of contracting bronchial pneumonia.

Most victims suffered irritation of the eyes, throat and lungs, but responded well to intravenous injections and oxygen, Draper said.

The chlorine was being shipped to Guam on the President Grant for purification of water and sanitary facilities and as an insect repellent.

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## Gas Attack Fells 200



Clouds of poisonous chlorine gas, released when a cylinder burst after a fall, sickened more than 200 workers at the Oakland Naval Supply Center today. The fumes drifted across a wide area, reaching as far as a mile from the installation. Above are cylinders of the type that burst. Left, Seaman C. D. Bernardo holds a handkerchief to his face. Right is John Boduar, crew member, who was almost overcome. There were no fatalities, but 20 to 30 of the victims are being held in a hospital for observation.



—Navy Call Bulletin Photos.

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## Airmen Safe

## Two Jets Collide Over East Bay

Two Air Force jet interceptors collided in mid-air over rugged hill country in eastern Alameda county yesterday but all four crewmen escaped serious injury.

In an earlier mishap, the pilot of a Navy propeller-driven fighter plane made a safe emergency landing near Fresno after the engine failed.

In the East Bay accident, involving two F-101 Voodoo jets, the pilot and radar-observer of one plane parachuted to safety. The other craft, although suffering wing-tip damage, made it back to Hamilton Air Force Base.

### SIGHTING

Pilot of the downed craft, First Lieutenant Virgil O. McCollum II, 24, and his radar-observer, Captain Herman W. Jarrett, 31, landed near the ranch of Ronald Enos on Cull Canyon road, three miles north of Castro Valley.

"My boy sighted their parachutes," Enos said. "Daddy, men are jumping out of an airplane." 4½-year-old Robert said, running to where Enos was working in the barnyard.

Both airmen were held in Oakland Naval Hospital for observation and were treated for cuts and bruises inflicted in ejecting from the aircraft.

The crew of the other plane was Captain Andrew H. Thomas, 25, and Captain Donald W. Dwinell, 30.

All four are members of the 437th Fighter Interceptor Squadron at Oxnard (Ventura county) and were re-

turning to their base from Hamilton. The accident occurred about 2:15 p.m.

The crash-landing of the Navy craft, an A1H Skyraider, was carried out by Lieutenant Richard F. Collins of Attack Squadron 152 based at Alameda Naval Air Station.

He brought the plane down through a cloud layer and made a wheels-up landing in a harvested grain field about nine miles northeast of Fresno.

Oakland Tribune Sat., Jan. 11, 1964

## Cause of Jet Crash Probed

Air Force investigators met in closed-door session at Hamilton Air Force Base today in an attempt to find out what caused two jet interceptors to collide above Hayward yesterday.

One of the 24-ton F101B "Voodoo" interceptors crashed into a ridge near Moraga after its two-man crew parachuted to safety. The other landed wildly at Hamilton, running the length of the runway before it was stopped by a cable barrier.

Investigators questioned Capt. Andrew H. Thomas, 25, pilot of the plane that landed safely, and his radar interceptor operator, Capt. Donald W. Dwinell, 30.

1st Lt. Virgil O. McCollum II, 25, pilot of the plane that crashed, is confined to Oakland Naval Hospital with a back injury.

His operator, Capt. Herman W. Jarrett, 31, underwent surgery at the hospital today for a knee injury suffered in parachuting safely.

Rescue came within minutes. Contra Costa and Alameda County sheriff's deputies, searching the area for four fleeing juveniles, heard radio calls of the collision, spotted the descending parachutes, and found the airmen.

All four airmen are from Oxnard AFB in Southern California, in the 347th Fighter-Interceptor Wing, but are a part of the 28th North American Air Defense Region headquartered at Hamilton AFB.

They were flying unarmed planes on what Hamilton spokesmen said was a crew-training mission. Voodoos often carry Falcon missiles, and sometimes carry nuclear-armed Genie air-to-air missiles.

## Four Periled By Chlorine Will Recover

Authorities say four men remaining in Oakland Naval Hospital after a brush with chlorine gas will be released this week.

More than 25 men were released shortly before noon Saturday. They had inhaled fumes Friday when a 1,000-pound cylinder containing the gas fell from a loading trailer at the Oakland Naval Supply Center Friday and ruptured.

Still hospitalized are Pete Ladjimi, 64, of Los Angeles, a ship's fireman; William Payne, 29, and Lloyd G. Sharp, 19, Navy men stationed at the center; and William T. Washington, 51, of 771 47th St., a stevedore.

The tank was being loaded aboard the American President Lines freighter President Grant when it rolled off the trailer, fell about two feet to the pier and broke along a seam.

Firemen sealed off a large section of west Oakland, but favorable winds dispelled the cloud of dangerous fumes.

In the meantime, the Navy convened a four-man board of inquiry to find out why the accident occurred.

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VICTIMS OF GAS: Stricken dockworkers are treated at the Naval Hospital in Oakland, Calif., after exposure to chlorine gas yesterday. Gas escaped from a broken tank at Oakland Naval Supply Center. Scores were hospitalized for treatment or observation.



# \$34 Million Bay Military Funds Asked

WASHINGTON — The Defense Department asked Congress today to authorize more than \$34 million for Bay Area military construction projects, including new facilities at the Oakland Naval Hospital and Letterman Army Hospital in San Francisco.

The request was contained in the department's \$1.8 billion construction authorization bill, including \$711 million for improving military family housing in the United States and at overseas bases.

Rep. Carl Vinson, D - Ga., chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, said hearings on the bill will begin about Feb. 10.

The bill merely authorizes the projects. Appropriations for individual projects must be approved separately later.

## BAY ALLOCATIONS

The \$14.5 million earmarked for the Oakland Naval Hospital is for construction of a new 650-bed hospital on its present grounds. Letterman Hospital would get \$14.3 million for a 550-bed facility at the Presidio in San Francisco.

The separate authorizations were approved by the Defense Department despite the recommendation of a congressional subcommittee that the two hospitals be consolidated in Oakland for economy reasons.

Another big project included in the bill is \$2,029,000 for the Oakland Army Terminal. A spokesman at the base said this would be used for construction of a new building to house the terminal's computer and data-processing equipment.

## TRANSIENT HOUSING

It also would include funds to remodel present transient housing facilities for military families awaiting overseas transportation and renovating the main administration building.

Other Bay Area installations for which authorization is sought included:

Navy — Alameda Naval Air Station, \$406,000; Naval Weapons Station, Concord, \$720,000; Naval Supply Center, Oakland, \$590,000; Naval Radiological Defense Laboratory, San Francisco, \$793,000.

Army — Presidio of San Francisco, \$283,000.

Air Force — Hamilton AFB, San Rafael, \$174,000; Travis AFB, Fairfield, \$161,000; Matheson AFB, Sacramento, \$431,000; Defense Supply Agency, Tracy Defense Depot, \$204,000.

## Obituaries

### Submarine Expert

# Admiral Low Dies in Oakland

Admiral Francis Stuart Low, former commander of the Western Sea Frontier and an expert in submarine warfare, died Wednesday at the Oakland Naval Hospital. He was 69.

He and his wife, the former Alice Regua of San Francisco, were prominent in social affairs during his duty on Treasure Island from 1953 to 1956, just prior to his retirement.

A native of Albany, N. Y., he followed his father in a naval career and was graduated from the Academy at Annapolis in 1915.

## SUBS

After the usual early career of young officers aboard battleships and cruisers, he qualified for submarine duty. Throughout his service thereafter, underwater warfare was his primary interest.

He was an officer aboard submarines before World War I when they were designated only by number, not by name as now.

He obtained brief duty in submarine chasers — to gain experience to use when he returned again to submarines.

Just prior to American entry into World War II he was operations officer for Admiral Ernest J. King when King commanded the Atlantic fleet during the "neutrality patrol" era.

When King was promoted to Chief of Naval Operations, Low continued as his operations officer.

In late 1942 he took command of the cruiser Wichita, participating in North African landing operations and seeing action in the Pacific.

Then he returned to the Atlantic and directed the eventually successful battle against German submarines.

He ended World War II back in the Pacific commanding Cruiser Division 16 in the Okinawa invasion.

## KOREA

His post-war duty began with his take-over of all Japanese naval installations in Korea. In 1949 he was assigned to head the Navy survey on the future use of submarines and how to counter underwater craft in a nuclear war.

His post just prior to taking over the Western Sea Frontier was as the Navy's chief of logistics.

His principal decorations included the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit and Order of the British Empire.

Since his retirement he and his wife have lived in the Napa valley and at 1879 Broadway.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, John Stuart Low, born of a former marriage.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a. m. Monday at the Treasure Island Chapel, Godeau Funeral Home, 41 Van Ness avenue, in charge of arrangements.



ADMIRAL LOW  
A long service career

# Adm. Low Dies; Naval Hero Conceived Doolittle's Raid

Memorial services will be held on Treasure Island Monday for Adm. Francis Stuart Low, one of the Navy's most distinguished officers who conceived the idea for Gen. Jimmy Doolittle's daring bombing raid on Tokyo in 1942.

Admiral Low, whose last commands were the Western Sea Frontier and the Pacific Reserve Fleet, died Wednesday at Oakland Naval Hospital. He was 69.

His first love was submarines. When he retired in 1956 he asked that ceremonies on Treasure Island be held on the deck of a sub.

A native of Albany, N.Y., he was graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1915. He became a member of the Navy's first submarine class and saw undersea duty in World War I.

Immediately before American entry into World War II, he was operations officer for Adm. Ernest J. King, who then commanded the Atlantic Fleet on neutrality patrol. When King was promoted to Chief of Naval Operations, Low continued as his operations officer.

Becoming an expert in anti-submarine warfare, he directed the eventually successful battle against German U-boats. For this he was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal.

and Great Britain's Order of the British Empire.

In 1942 he became commander of the cruiser Wichita and saw action in the North Africa landings and later in the Pacific.

Low was promoted to rear admiral in 1943 and commanded Cruiser Division 16 in the Okinawa invasion.

After the war he took over Japanese naval installations in Korea. He was the Navy's chief of logistics just before taking over the Western Sea Frontier.

Since retiring he lived with his wife, the former Alice Regua of San Francisco, in Napa Valley and San Francisco. He is survived also by a son by a former marriage, John Stuart Low.

The services will be held at 11 a. m. Monday in the Catholic chapel on Treasure Island. Funeral arrangements were made by Godeau Funeral Home, 41 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco.

## Hospital in Marina

# 10-Story Plan For Letterman

By Jack Foisie

The Army's planned replacement for rambling old Letterman Hospital is a structure ten stories high which may block a view of the Bay for some residents of Pacific Heights.

The height and site of the new hospital — immediately east of the present one — was learned by The Chronicle yesterday and confirmed by the Army. But officers declined any further details of the new tower.

A new hospital is also planned by the Navy to replace its facility in East Oakland. It is being designed by the same architects who are working on the new Letterman hospital.

Rear Admiral Cecil Andrews, commander of the Oakland hospital, said "I don't yet know the contour of our new facility; our planning is not that far along."

The 100-foot height of the proposed Letterman structure will almost certainly raise some outcries from civilian residents near the Presidio since it conflicts with the city's 40-foot building height area for waterfront areas of San Francisco.

The Army is not legally bound to conform to city zoning and building policies. However, in past years Presidio commanders gen-

erally have shown a cooperative attitude in dealing with City Hall officials.

It was learned that Mayor John F. Shelley had not been shown plans for the new hospital. The Army is to give him a private peek within the next few weeks.

Army planners said they feared a controversy over the height of the hospital might affect passage of the Army's military construction authorization bill just submitted to the new Congress.

The bill requests \$14,305,000 for the new Letterman hospital in fiscal 1965. The Navy asks \$14,500,000 for its East Bay hospital. The Navy facility will have 650 beds, the Army, 550 beds.

A new ten-story hospital would become the tallest building along the Marina and rivaled along the entire northern waterfront only by the Fontana apartments.

The present Letterman was built as a "temporary" hospital in 1889 to care for patients of the Spanish-American War. Although it has been modernized several times, it retains the spread-out design of old military hospitals, with long hallways connecting one-story ward buildings.

The design is not considered efficient for permanent hospitals.

## Tribune Editorial Page

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# Admiral Francis Low

Admiral Francis Stuart Low was one of the most pertacious sea dogs who ever sailed the seas and below them. Ashore, he was retiring but a gracious host. He was a stern disciplinarian but a just one. He was admired and respected by the men who served under him.

The unostentation that was his after retirement in 1956 he carried with him to his death. There were few who knew that one of the most distinguished U.S. Navy officers of World War II was critically ill at the Oakland Naval Hospital where he died.

His career of fame began with the assignment as operations officer for Admiral Ernest J. King. He became an expert in anti-submarine warfare and later

directed the successful retaliation against the foraging U-Boats in the Atlantic. The Distinguished Service Cross and Great Britain's Order of the British Empire were among the rewards of his contributions.

He later became commander of the Western Sea Frontier and then the Pacific Reserve Fleet.

During his Pacific service he conceived the idea of the raids against Japan carried out by Gen. Jimmy Doolittle.

Yet there are few who were not close friends and associates who knew those facts. Admiral Low was highly reticent about his accomplishments and his fame.

That added to the respect for him by those who knew him.

## Frances V. Dearing

Funeral services will be held Tuesday for Frances V. Dearing, wife of retired Rear Admiral Arthur H. Dearing of Walnut Creek.

Mrs. Dearing, 71, of 1160 Lincoln avenue, died Friday in a Walnut Creek hospital following a long illness.

Her husband retired from the Navy in 1953 after being head medical officer for the 12th Naval District and the Western Sea Frontier.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a. m. Tuesday at Chapel in the Valley-Lafayette Mortuary, 283 South Thompson road in Lafayette. Interment will be at Golden Gate National Cemetery.





**RED CROSS AIDES**—Mrs. Lee Waybright, (left) chairman of the Gray Ladies Services for the Oakland Chapter of the American Red Cross, presents certificates to Kristy Gaub, 3816 Telegraph Ave., and Miss Kathryn Draper, 2773 Argyle St. Kristy was a youth volunteer and Miss Draper a Gray Lady volunteer. Both will serve in Red Cross program at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital and Cerebral Palsy Center.

## Four Oak Knoll Wives Receive Pins



**NAVY RELIEF** chairman of volunteer office workers, Mrs. A. J. Draper, left, presents 100-hour pin to Mrs. Donald Robinson while other recipients—Mesdames Ernest A. Blakey, Alan J. Honig and Marshall Olson—beam approval at Oakland Naval Hospital. On hand to commend the volunteers was Capt. W. S. Baker Jr., hospital executive officer.

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## Naval Hospital OWC Initiates School Grants

**OAKLAND, Calif.**—The Officers' Wives Club of the Naval Hospital here has announced the establishment of scholarship awards at or beyond the college level.

The applicant must be the son or daughter (natural, adopted, or stepchild) of an officer (chief warrant officers included) in the Medical Corps, Dental Corps, or Chaplain's Corps, who is now serving on active duty in the Regular Navy or on extended active duty with reserve status within the limits of the 12th Naval District; or if the officer is deceased or retired at the time of application, his last duty station must have been within this area.

The awards are in the form of an outright grant to be made each year in an amount not to exceed \$300. The number and value of the awards each year is determined by the club based on available funds.

Application forms may be obtained by mail or in person from the Administrative Officer, U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland 14, Calif.

# The Teen Review

NEWS OF 18 HIGH SCHOOLS

HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1964

Livermore, Logan, Mt. Eden, Newark, Pacific, Washington, San Leandro, San Lorenzo, Sunset, Tennyson, Granada.

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## Area Girls

## U.S. Hospital Salutes Four Young Aides

Four South County teen-age girls are wearing a JANGO cap, with pins and a chevron or two on their uniforms, in recognition for service to the U.S. Naval Hospital in Oakland. JANGO means Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization, a national volunteer program for teen-age daughters of active or retired officers of the armed forces.

Participating in a capping and award ceremony at which time Rebecca Oberman, a student at San Lorenzo High School, Carolyn Wooster, Hayward High School, and Mary Rulon, Castro Valley High School, and Susan Rosenheim, a part-time patient, having a home teacher, received their honors from Cdr. Ruth M. Cohen, chief nurse at Oak Knoll Hospital.

### SPECIAL SALUTE

Special commendation was given to Susan, for in addition to being capped, she was also pinned for 50 hours' service beyond the 100 required for capping, and received her 200 and 300-hour chevrons.

Because of a serious liver ailment, Sue has been unable to attend school, and has been in patient status at the hospital, during the time she has served in the JANGO program.

Sue is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley E. Rosenheim, 944 Via Enrico, San Lorenzo.

### CAP PRESENTED

A cap was presented to Carolyn Wooster, daughter of Franklin Wooster, 24419 Marie Drive, Hayward, while Mary Rulon and Rebecca Oberman, graduates of previous classes, earned special honors. Mary

**JANGO VOLUNTEERS** . . . Proving that illness can't stop her is Susan Rosenheim, seated, who with (standing, from left) Rebecca Oberman, Carolyn Wooster and Mary Rulon received caps and awards for outstanding service to patients and personnel at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, as members of the Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization. Susan, unable to attend school, is a patient at the hospital, with a home teacher, while Rebecca attends San Lorenzo High School; Carolyn is a student at Hayward High School, while Mary attends Castro Valley High School.

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## Water Safety Courses Set By Red Cross

Red Cross water safety courses are scheduled to begin the week in Oakland and San Leandro.

A Junior Life Saving course, to be held once a week for 10 weeks, will begin at 4 p.m. tomorrow at the San Leandro Boys Club, 677 Davis St. Dave Beaver will be the instructor.

At the Oakland Naval Hospital pool, a water safety instructors' training program will begin at 7 p.m. Wednesday, with weekly meetings to continue through May 6.

Both courses are free. Registrations are being made at the Oakland Red Cross office, 2111 E. 14th St.



## Navy Honors Wives

"The Navy takes care of its own" is a philosophy long espoused by members of the sea-going service, and four wives of Oak Knoll staff doctors have been honored for their work in helping Navy families in need.

Presented Navy Relief 100-hour pins at a recent meeting of the Oak Knoll Officers'

Wives' Club were the Mesdames Donald W. Robinson, Ernest A. Blakey, Marshall Olson and Alan J. Honig.

Mrs. Robinson was "pinned" for sewing at Oak Knoll and the U.S. Naval Hospital at Guam, where her husband was chief of surgery before assuming a similar post here. She is chairman of seamstresses at the hospital,

who make lavettes for infants of needy Navy couples.

Mrs. Blakey, wife of Oak Knoll's chief of urology, and Mrs. Olson, whose husband is a radiologist, were recognized for 100 hours of work at the hospital's Navy Relief office, interviewing naval personnel requesting financial help to meet family emergencies.

Mrs. Honig, wife of an ophthalmology resident, received her pin for work in both sewing and office work.

Mrs. A. J. Draper, chairman of Navy Relief volunteer office workers, presented the pins, and the volunteers were commended by Capt. William S. Baker Jr., executive officer.



MES. A. J. DRAPER, DONALD ROBINSON, ERNEST A. BLAKEY, A. J. HONIG, MARSHALL OLSON, CAPT. W. S. BAKER JR.  
... 100-hour pins for four wives of doctors at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, presented by Navy Relief chairman

## Seven Seek School Posts in Piedmont

### Joseph M. Coppoletta

Coppoletta recently retired as a Navy captain in the medical corps after 21 years service. He is married to the former Doris Ellis, a journalism instructor at Oakland Technical High School. They live at 121 Hillside Avenue.

He is a graduate of Cornell University and took his medical training at Harvard University and Johns Hopkins University. His most recent Navy assignment was as commanding officer of the Naval Medical Research unit at the University of California. He has served as chief of preventive medicine at Oakland Naval Hospital.

Coppoletta is a past president of the Merritt Toastmasters Club, a member of the American Medical Association, American Public Health Association.



Harvard Club of San Francisco, Commons Club of Berkeley, Retired Officers Association and Alpha Kappa Kappa fraternity. He formerly was a school physician and police surgeon in New Jersey and an instructor and physician at Farleigh Dickinson University.

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NEW JANGOS at the Naval Hospital, Oakland, Calif., include, left to right, Kay Kennedy, Susan Canning, Sue Rosenheim, Judy Jenkins and Carolyn Wooster.

### Fifth Class of Jangos Capped at Oak Knoll

OAKLAND, Calif.—Five new Jangos have been capped here at the Naval Hospital. They are Susan Canning, Judy Jenkins, Kay Kennedy, Sue Rosenheim, and Carolyn Wooster—all daughters of active or retired naval officers. The newly-capped quintet make up the fifth class of Jangos trained at Oak Knoll, and they bring to 60 the total number trained here since the program was started in 1960.

Heading her class was Susan Rosenheim. Susan not only was capped but was also presented her pin for 50 hours of service beyond the 100 required for capping; her 200-hour chevron, and her 300-hour chevron. Sue's achievement is particularly noteworthy in that she has been in patient status herself during much of the time she has served.

Because of a liver ailment, she is unable to attend school, but she has a home teacher who helped her graduate from junior high (in the pediatric ward) and who now coaches her in high school subjects. "After class" Sue becomes a Jango, and according to her doctors, this has been "good medicine."

Other graduates who received special recognition were Susan Canning and Judy Jenkins, who received their 50-hour pin.

Two Jangos from previous classes received awards. Mary Rulon received her 200-hour chevron and Rebecca Oberman her 50-hour pin.



# CHUTE FAILS--FLIER SAVED BY SNOWBANK

## WEATHER

San Francisco, East Bay, Peninsula and Marin: Continued fair through tomorrow. Little temperature change. Low this morning, 36 to 38. High today, 65 to 73. Variable winds 5 to 10 miles per hour.

**YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES**

	Hi.	Lo.
San Fran.	69	32
Oakland	70	31
Sacramento	71	41
Fresno	78	33
Los Angeles	68	42
Chicago	27	22
New York	35	23

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### Sierra Ordeal

## Chute Fails---Pilot Safe in Snowbank

A huge Sierra snowbank pillowed the breath-taking plunge of a Navy pilot when he ejected from his crippled plane and the parachute failed to open, the Navy disclosed last night.

Lieutenant Edward A. Dickson, a fighter pilot from Lemoore Naval Air Station, survived the ordeal, and suffered only a broken leg after plummeting into the 40-foot bank.

Dickson, 26, was recovering last night in Oakland Naval Hospital, where his condition was described as good.

Dickson was on a routine flight about 60 miles north of Bishop on Thursday when he ran into engine trouble

and his plane nosed over toward a snow-covered mountain.

Dickson hit the ejection button and flipped out of his plane. But the parachute remained closed. It was not learned immediately how far he fled.

The pilot's plunge was witnessed by guests at June Mountain Ski Lodge, two miles east of the crash scene. A six-man ski patrol brought Dickson back to the lodge where he was picked up later by military helicopter.

Dickson, a native of Wyoming, Pa., was given emergency treatment at Hawthorne, Nev., and then transferred to the Oakland hospital.

## Nightmare Plunge--a Broken-Leg Survivor In Oakland

A Navy pilot's parachute failed to open when he ejected from his crippled plane over the Sierra—but he lived when his nightmarish fall ended in a "soft" 40-foot snowbank.

The spectacular Sierra survival report, first of its kind, came out of Oakland Naval Hospital yesterday, where the pilot was recovering from a broken leg.

Lt. (jg) Edward A. Dickson was still alive despite almost million to one odds that he would ever make it under the circumstances.

When his fighter plane headed for a crash Thursday, Dickson ejected—only to go through the terrifying experience of heading for a mountainside with a parachute that did not open.

It had not been determined yesterday at what altitude he had bailed out.

He hit the huge snow bank, bounced 35 to 40 feet and came out of the near-tragedy with a fractured right leg.

### AIRLIFTED

Rescued by a ski patrol, he was airlifted by helicopter from the crash area, about 60 miles north of Bishop, given emergency treatment at Hawthorne, Nev., and then transferred to Oakland Naval Hospital.

Doctors described his condition as "good."

The 26-year-old pilot, unmarried, was on a routine mission from Lemoore Naval Air Station when the accident occurred.

Guests at June Mountain Ski Lodge, two miles east of the point where Lt. Dickson hit the snow, meanwhile had witnessed the drama in the air, waiting for the pilot's parachute to open.

Horrified, they watched him plummet downward, minus the blossoming chute they had expected to see.

"He's had it," they told each other.

A six-man ski patrol went to the area, and brought Dickson by stretcher to the lodge. Later, a military helicopter with a doctor aboard was flown to the lodge and Dickson was airlifted to Hawthorne for emergency treatment.

Because of the angle at which he landed in the snow, Dickson did not suffer internal injuries, a Lemoore base spokesman said.

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## 'Look, Ma, I Fell a Mile, No Parachute'

By GENE AYRES

The uncrowned ski jump champion of all time—with or without skis—lies in the Oakland Naval Hospital and remains calm.

He even seems detached in the face of his incredible achievement.

Poised and collected is Lt. (jg.) Edward A. Dickson, when he shakes his head slowly and says with intensity, "I love snow. Boy, do I love snow."

It was snow, a 40-foot deep bank of the High Sierra's best, where Dickson found himself Thursday after his big leap.

**5,000 FOOT DROP**  
His jump, by the Navy flier's own estimate was "about a 4,000 or 5,000-foot drop."

Witnesses verify that Dickson jumped from his single-engine Skyhawk light attack jet bomber to the snowy shore of Mono County's Mono Lake without the benefit of skis . . . or a parachute.

He had a chute on, but it didn't open. Guests and employees at the June Mountain Ski Lodge, two miles away, saw him hurtling down, and in horror, sent a six-man ski patrol to pick up the pieces.

In his snowy white hospital bed, Dickson is very much in one piece, looking like the muscular, 26-year-old athlete he is, bareheaded reading press accounts of his sky diving feat.

He pays little attention to his right leg, in traction, which has, he says, "nice clean breaks in the thigh and ankle."

"I'm in pretty good condition," he said.

"Just a little sore like from football when you haven't played for two or three years."

He and four companions from Lemoore Naval Air Station near Fresno were flying in formation over the rugged Sierra Nevada when his engine stopped.

"When that happens, you'll come down one way or another," he said.

### AIMED FOR LAKE

"I aimed for Mono Lake but knew I couldn't make it, so I decided to leave the plane. You can't ride them down. They're just a flying fuel tank."

The ejection mechanism properly hurled the pilot's seat, Dickson in it, from the plane. Then the seat correctly fell away from him, but the automatically activated parachute didn't open.

During the seconds he plummeted to earth, he didn't realize the chute hadn't opened, he said. He doesn't think he completely lost consciousness, but things mercifully blurred for a moment.

"I recall vaguely hitting the ground," he said. "When I woke up, I was under a big tree. I must have come in on my right side, then bounced up against the tree with this arm."

### BRUISE ON ARM

His right upper arm bore a 10-inch bruise on the inside. "I saw a big hole in the snow, and I guess that's where I hit."

Dickson believes he must have fallen to earth at an angle "like gliding in."

He managed to crawl from under the tree, and light a smoke flare so his circling brother pilots above would send for help.

The first he realized his chute hadn't opened was when he saw it lying, tangled beside him, he said.

What did he think at that moment?

### CAN'T PRINT IT

"We have a saying," he said, "but you can't print it."

Dickson said he heard a noise in the bushes and the ski patrol, expecting to find a tragedy, appeared.

"My God," an amazed skier shouted at him. "What are you doing?"

They took him to the lodge on a stretcher and he later was brought here.

The seven-year Navy pilot from Wyoming, Pa., displayed none of the post-accident willies that have less self-possessed individuals mumbling to themselves for days.

It was his first parachute—rather non-parachute—jump, and the experience hasn't changed his plans to be a career Navy flier.

But he was perturbed about a couple of things.

"I'm worried about getting back to flying," he confessed. "I'm going to get awfully rusty lying here."

And there was this weekend. "I was supposed to have a ski weekend at Badger Pass," he said.



SMILING EDWARD A. DICKSON LOVES SNOW  
"I saw a big hole . . . I guess that's where I hit"



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## Chute Failed



LIEUTENANT EDWARD DICKSON

For a moment, he was curious

### Saved by Snow

## 'How I Fell 1000 Feet'

By J. Campbell Bruce

Besides being alive to tell about it, Lieutenant Edward A. Dickson considered yesterday he was lucky on another score when he bailed out over the High Sierra Thursday.

Coming down, he was unaware that his parachute hadn't opened.

"If I'd known," he said, "it might've scared the hell out of me."

The 26-year-old Navy pilot from Wyoming, Pa., was in Oakland Naval Hospital with a double break in his right leg and a bruised forearm.

He had survived a 1000-foot free fall into a snowbank in the high reaches of the Sierra, about 60 miles north of Bishop.

### Worse Injury

The nurse tells me a fellow once slipped and fell off the bottom step of the porch out there and got hurt worse," the pilot said, with a justifiable pleasure in his own fractures.

With his ruddy complexion and the humor twinkling in his eyes, he looked more like a skier who'd made a slip racing down a slope.

"Fact is," he said, "I was supposed to be skiing today, up at Badger Pass."

The incident happened, in fact, near Badger Pass.

Dickson, flying an A-4 Skyhawk, had left Lemoore Naval Air Station with four others that morning on a training mission to the Navy's practice bombing range at Fallon, Nevada.

A half hour later, about 11 a. m., they

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## Flyer's Amazing Story

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were drawing contrails over the Sierra at 15,000 feet altitude, about 5000 feet above the granite peaks. In the distance off to the left, he could see Badger Pass, where he planned to ski two days later—yesterday, a holiday.

"I thought to myself, 'A great day for skiing,' and just then he sensed trouble in the engine."

"I saw I was losing altitude—dropping below the formation," he recalled. "I tried to rectify it. We have back-up systems for that purpose—to inject fuel or air. My thought then was to get over the mountains to land the aircraft, if possible."

### DESERT

A crash landing in the desert?

"No, I wanted to locate a field. You can't crash-land a jet fighter, even in a pasture; it's nothing but a flying fuel tank. It would be like trying to crash-land a shell out of a cannon."

He kept dropping and saw it was hopeless and decided to eject. He was now about 1000 feet from the serrated top of the Sierra.

"I pulled the canvas face curtain down—that's to prevent a wind blast in your eyes when you get out. Pulling the curtain automatically fires a rocket connected to the seat, which of course is connected to you—and away you go, metal seat, canopy and all.

"It's like a good kick in the pants. It shoots you 200 feet up. The metal seat automatically falls away and the parachute deploys—that is, opens—and down you come."

### TREE

Dickson remembers that much, and coming down. Next thing he knew, he was lying sprawled against a tree, and it didn't occur to him how he wound up in such a position, under, instead of in, a pine tree.

"I saw one of the planes circling up there."

That was Lieutenant Colonel Robert Schweitzer, command saw Dickson plummet into a snowbank and thought that was the last he'd ever see of him. He was startled to see him reappear an instant later, then disappear again under a big tree. He was even more astonished to see him walk out from under the tree and wave an okay.

Colonel Schweitzer went to the scene the next day in a

Sno-cat, a tractor for snow use. He found that Dickson had apparently hit a deep snowbank at an angle, gouging a hole four feet deep; shot into the air about 50 feet, then skidded down a gentle slope till he slammed into the pine tree.

### BURN

If he hadn't hit the tree, the colonel said, he could have walked away, brushing the snow off his flying suit, with only the snow burn on the under part of his left forearm as a souvenir.

"When I saw the plane," Dickson recounted, "I got up and took a few steps and waved to tell them I was all right."

It was then he first noted something was wrong with his right leg.

### KIT

"It hurt. I sat down in the snow again, then reached for my survival kit in the chute seat I was sitting on."

"As I turned, I noticed the parachute was still strapped to my back, still in its pack."

"I thought, 'The damn thing didn't open.'"

"For a moment I was curious, wondered why it hadn't opened, but only for a fleeting second."

### WATCH

"I had other things to do right then. I looked to see what time it was, but my watch had broken on impact. I set out a marker, an iridescent red shroud we carry for the purpose."

"Then I got out the parachute and wrapped myself up in it to keep warm and waited."

About four hours later two men from June Mountain Ski Lodge, four miles from the spot, arrived in a Sno-cat. They'd seen the jet fall (it crashed about 200 feet from where Dickson landed) and the pilot tumble, and they had expected to recover a body.

### GRAVITY

Dickson says he didn't recall hitting the snowbank because the effect of gravity forces may have blacked him out.

But couldn't he tell by the speed of the fall—about 120 miles an hour, or five seconds from ejection to impact—the chute hadn't opened?

"Who knows what a chute is supposed to feel like?" he replied. "To me, this was the normal reaction. I'd never bailed out before."

Would this experience

make him a bit edgy about flying again?

"I can't wait to get back in a cockpit," he said, in simple candor. "While I'm waiting this out (the healing of the fractures), I may have to do a bit of driving . . ." he shuddered. "You know, I really dread driving a car. It's damn dangerous."

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### Navy Nursing Aide Wins Idea Award

An idea for a plastic sandbag cover has won \$75 for Mrs. Jewel Starks, a nursing assistant in the pediatrics ward at Oakland Naval Hospital.

The sandbags are used to immobilize infants during treatment and Mrs. Starks suggested that plastic covers would make the bags easier to clean and disinfect.

In addition to the idea award, she received \$25 when her suggestion was reprinted in a Navy publication.

Mrs. Starks and her husband, Ernest, live at 451 Stoneford Ave.



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**SKY DIVER**—Navy pilot Edward A. Dickson, in an Oakland hospital, shows a headline telling how his parachute failed to open and he fell 1,000 ft. into a snowbank when he bailed out over the Sierra. UPI Telephoto

## WHEN HIS CHUTE FAILS

### Pilot Falls 1,000 Ft. Into Snowbank, Lives

OAKLAND (UPI)—A 26-year-old Navy pilot who survived a 1,000 ft. fall into a high Sierra snowbank said Saturday it all happened so fast he didn't realize until he was on the ground that his parachute had failed to open.

Lt. (j.g.) Edward A. Dickson of Wyoming, Pa., is in Oak Knoll Naval Hospital recovering from a broken leg, his only injury except for bruises.

Dickson landed in a deep, sloping snowbank and bounced up against a tree.

He bailed out Thursday over the high wilderness area after the engine of his A-4 Skyhawk jet failed during a flight with four other planes from Lemoore Naval Air Station in California to a practice bombing range near Fallon, Nev. When he ejected, he was about 60 miles north of Bishop.

"I remember going tumbling in the air, but falling at 130 miles an hour you don't have too much time to think about anything," Dickson said. "I don't remember landing in the snow but what must have been a short time later I found myself wrapped around the trunk of a tree."

"I thought at first I'd had it, then after a few seconds I knew I wasn't as bad off as I'd feared."

Dickson bailed out about 11 a.m. The plane circled and crashed about 200 ft. away.

Two employees of the June Mountain Ski Lodge, about four miles from the scene, had seen the plane go down and went after the pilot in a snow vehicle.

"I was damn lucky," said Dickson.

## Each Had A Faulty Chute

### Two Jumpers Get Together

#### Lucky Landings Recalled

By KENNETH GREEN

Two men who lived to trade in faulty parachutes for new ones got together yesterday in Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland.

They are Blaine Hall, 25374 Kay Ave., Hayward, an Air Force master sergeant, and Navy Lt. (j.g.) Edward Dickson, 26, of Wyoming, Pa.

Hall took his plunge with a faulty chute 20 years ago at Ft. Benning, Ga.

#### OVER SIERRA

Dickson's came last Thursday when he had to bail out of his crippled A4 Skyhawk jet fighter over the Sierra.

The two no-parachute parachutists exchanged their fantastic stories as glibly as any two servicemen swap war stories.

"My parachute was designed to open even if I ejected on the ground," Dickson told the sergeant with a chuckle.

"Sure," acknowledged Hall. "And I had a second chute but I hit the ground just as I pulled the ring."

Motioning toward a huge blue-black mark on Dickson's left arm, Hall said, "You got quite a bruise."

#### NEW COLOR

"Yeah, it's my 'pet.' Every day it changes to a new color. Gives me something to look forward to each day," replied Dickson, who said the worst part of his ordeal was watching the doctors set his broken leg Monday.

"You know, you hear stories about how they use hammers and saws. Well, they really do. And I couldn't feel a thing, but I sure could see it!"

Telling of his experience, Dickson explained that he was holding up the tail of a five-plane formation and began to drop behind. Nursing a broken leg and a

The flight leader radioed re-



**SOMETHING IN UNCOMMON** . . . Two men who beat all the odds by living through falls with parachutes which failed to open got together at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland yesterday. Air Force Senior M. Sgt. Blaine Hall, 25374 Kay Ave., Hayward, who survived his fall 20 years ago at Ft. Benning, Ga., congratulates Navy Lt. (j.g.) Edward Dickson, Wyoming, Pa., on becoming the newest member of the handful of men who can boast their distinction. —Review Photo

arm, awaits recovery so he can climb back into a cockpit. This week, Hall, first sergeant with the Hayward Air National Guard, welcomed Dickson to the elite "no chute" club.

Hall experienced his miracle some 20 years ago during his fifteenth jump in a routine para-

trooper training exercise at Ft. Benning, Ga. Hall, unlike Dickson, recalls falling and trying to shake open

his parachute while remarking, "Oh, God!" after jumping from 700 feet.

He also remembers thoughts of family and past flashing through his mind before he smacked into a field with a force that made him feel like his head exploded. And he remembers thinking he was dead.

Hall broke his back and spent several months in the hospital recovering. Although he's fully recovered, he was never able to jump again.

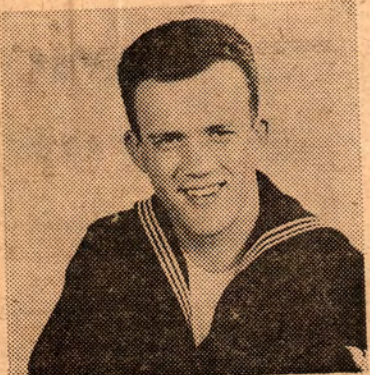
Dickson, meanwhile, said he was told he will be mobile in two months.

Someone offered him a free subscription to a skydiving magazine, Dickson said. But he declined. "Skydivers are amateurs," he explained. "They use parachutes."

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## Better Late . . .



NO PRIZE was forthcoming for Mike McCarthy, hospital corpsman third of the Oakland Naval Hospital staff, back in February at the 12th Naval District talent show, although Mike's reading of an original poem, "Anthem of the Naval Dead," drew a standing ovation. Since then, however, he's received so many letters and notices for the poem that the District Special Services division thought he really should have an award. He got one!



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## Bay Military Hospital Bill Passes Test

The House Armed Services Committee today approved Defense Department plans to rebuild the Oakland Naval Hospital and Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco at a total cost of \$28.8 million.

These projects are included in a \$1.6 billion military construction authorization program, which survived the House group's close scrutiny, according to the United Press International. The program now goes to the floor of the house.

Under the committee-approved authorization \$14.5 million is earmarked for a new 650-bed institution on the Oakland Naval Hospital grounds in the East Oakland hills. Most of the 130 buildings now on the site are temporary frame structures built during World War II.

Letterman General Hospital would get \$14.3 million for a 550-bed facility. Some of its present buildings date back to the Spanish-American War.

Both hospitals treat active, reserve and retired military personnel and service dependents.

Eight other military hospitals are included in the proposed \$56.3 million authorization for this purpose.

The over-all military construction request was reduced \$248.8 million. Biggest cut, \$101 million, was inflicted on the Army. This included a secret \$45 million proposal involving switching sites of some Nike Hercules batteries, the Nation's principal anti-aircraft defense.

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Mrs. Lewis Giegerich, chairman of volunteers from the Berkeley chapter, American Red Cross, left, was the first to congratulate the chapter's three newest Gray Ladies following their recent capping at Oakland Naval Hospital. From left are Miss Jeanette McMillen, Mrs. Guy Graves, and Mrs. W. H. Alton. At right is Miss Sadie Roberts, chairman of Oak

Knoll Gray Ladies from Berkeley chapter. The new volunteers were capped by Commander Ruth M. Cohen, chief of the hospital's nursing service, and presented their certificates by Rear Admiral C. L. Andrews, commanding officer. They will serve the hospital regularly, distributing comfort articles on the wards, writing letters, shopping, and running errands for patients.

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THE SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

## \$28.8 Million for Bay Military Hospitals

The \$28.8 million appropriation to rebuild Letterman General Hospital at the Presidio and Oakland Naval Hospital was approved by the House Armed Services Committee yesterday.

It now goes to the floor of the House, but Committee approval is considered the big hurdle.

Under the Committee's authorization bill, \$14.3 million is earmarked for the 550-bed facility to be built as a multi story building at the Presidio. The Oakland Naval Hospital replacement calls for a 650-bed institution to cost \$14.5 million.

## The New Letterman Hospital Plans

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By LYNN LUDLOW

Plans to erect a 10-story building for Letterman General Hospital will require relocation of the Presidio's main gate to a quiet residential street, the Army revealed yesterday.

It was the only fly in the ointment as military authorities announced preliminary plans for high-rise hospital buildings to replace outdated facilities at the Presidio and at Oakland Naval Hospital.

The gate would be moved from its historic location at Lombard and Lyon Streets two blocks up the hill to Filbert and Lyon Streets—a plan which immediately bothered City Planning Director James McCarthy.

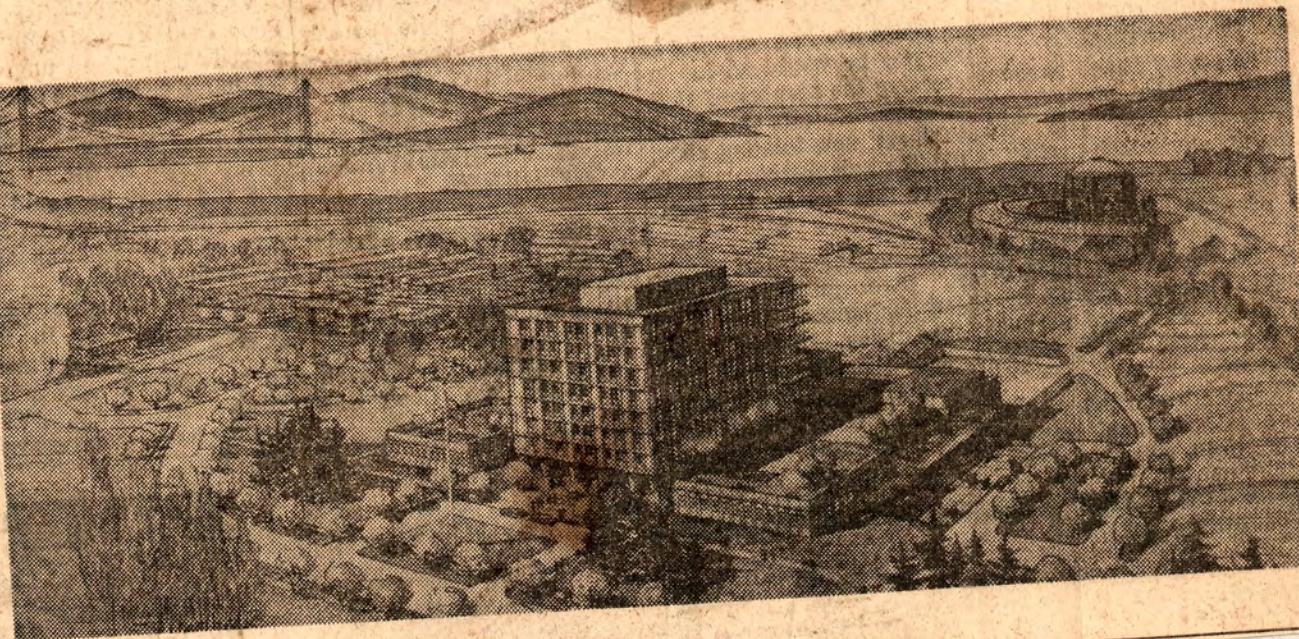
"Filbert is not a traffic street," he said. "That's one of its assets."

The hospital building's height—about the same as the Palace of Fine Arts—isn't expected to block vistas from more than a handful of residences on Pacific Heights. The height limit in the Marina area is 40 feet, except for the military.

### LESSER CAPACITY

The announcement, described as a "briefing" by Maj. Gen. Jack W. Schwartz, also brought out the following points:

• Because the number of beds will be reduced from about 1,000 to 550, hospital



ARCHITECT'S CONCEPT OF NEW LETTERMAN Hospital would be as high as Palace of Fine Arts

services to military dependents and retired personnel will be cut to a minimum.

• Post Exchange and Red Cross facilities here will also be curtailed.

• The new building is expected to become part of a large medical center which would include the Sixth Army Medical Laboratory now at Fort Baker, a dental laboratory now at Alameda and a proposed West Coast Army Medical Research Center. These plans are still tentative, the general said.

• Construction of the new building will mean demolition of nearly 30 buildings, mostly frame structures erected during the World War II, which include classrooms for the Medical Specialist Advanced School and quarters for officers and enlisted men.

The plans—one of the worst kept secrets of the year—were kept "classified," said General Schwartz, until after approval this week by the House Armed Services Committee. He is commander

of the hospital.

Cost of the 550-bed Letterman building is budgeted to \$14,305,000; the 650-bed Oakland hospital, at \$14,321,000. If all goes smoothly, a military spokesman said, they will be ready for occupancy in the middle of 1968.

Letterman's design is a three story base complex with a seven-story set back structure on top. The hospital wards will be on the upper floors.

The Oakland hospital, which now sprawls over several acres, will become a nine-story structure with a four-story base and a central, cross-shaped tower. It will sit in a natural amphitheater of rolling hills about 600 feet east of the present administration building.

The official announcement paid heed to "the unique community spirit that exists in San Francisco and Oakland" by way of explaining that a committee of nationally prominent architects was asked to review the plans. It included R. F. Larson of Philadelphia, Ulysses F. Rible of Los Angeles and Edward J. Maher of San Francisco, who gave their unanimous approval.

Gen. Schwartz said the main entrance to the Presidio should be shifted to Filbert Street so the new hospital site wouldn't be cut in pieces by the military post's main street, Lincoln Boulevard. The street would be rerouted slightly to the south to make a circuit of the hospital grounds.



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## Plans for 2 Military Hospitals

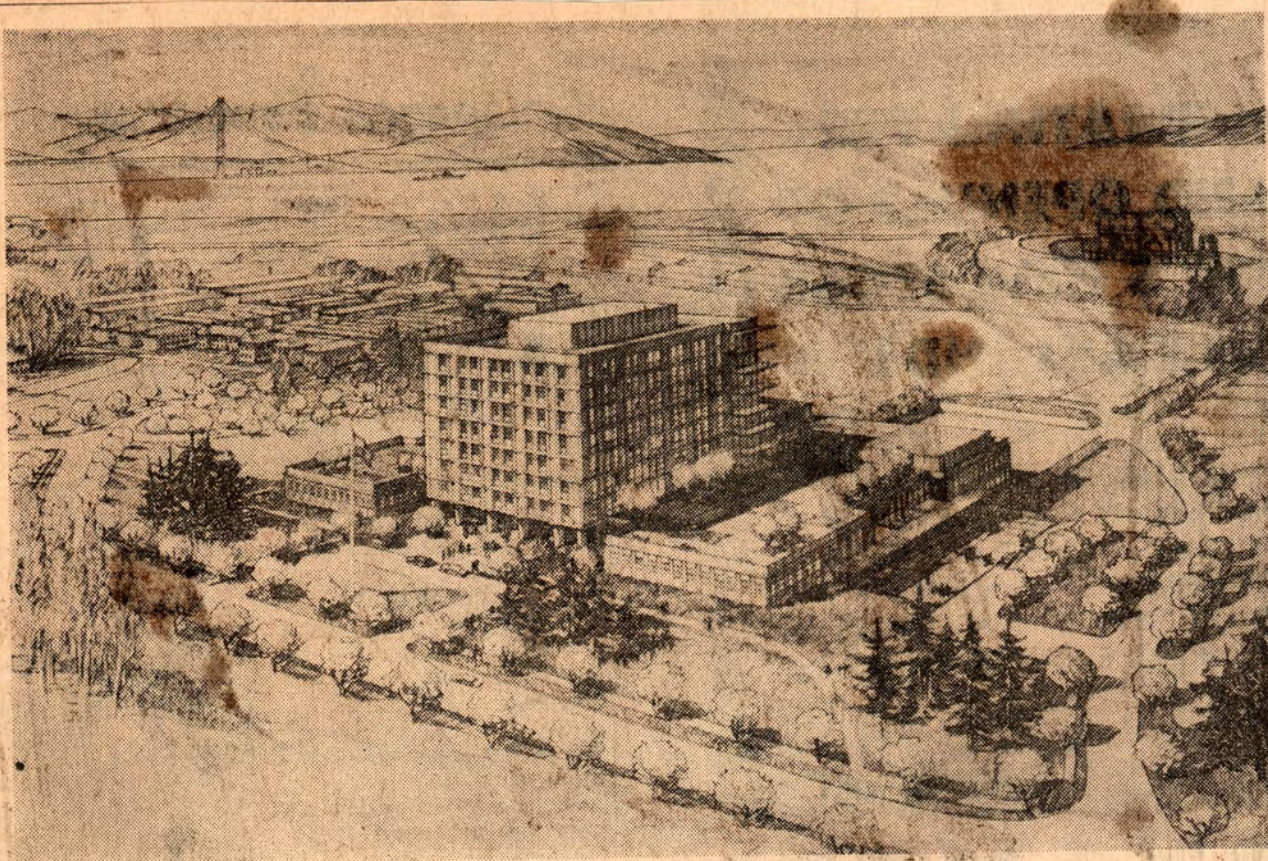
The shape and size of the two new military hospitals to be built in the Bay Area was disclosed here yesterday.

The new Letterman Army Hospital at the Presidio will be a ten-story concrete structure shaped as an inverted "T."

The new Naval Hospital in the Oak Knoll area of East Oakland will be a nine-story building, with four wings running off a central core.

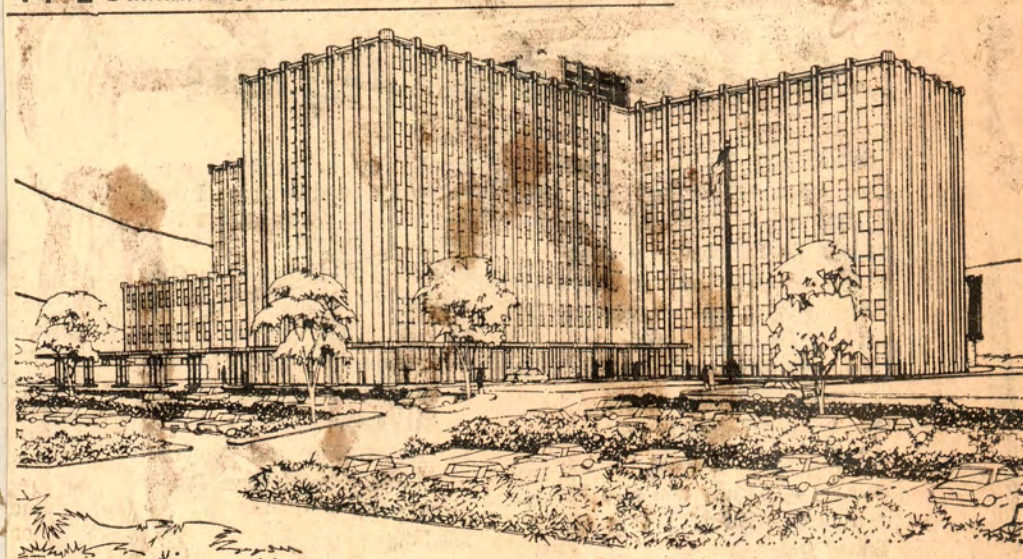
Both are to be built adjacent to the old facilities they replace. Both have been located against hills to "soften" their height—although

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Architect's sketch of the new Letterman Hospital as seen from a Presidio hill, which overlooks the site

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ARCHITECT'S DRAWING SHOWS PROPOSED OAKLAND NAVAL HOSPITAL  
Nine-story concrete structure would have a 650-bed capacity

## Hospitals: Details of New U. S. Facilities

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this problem is a sensitive one only at the Presidio.

The new Letterman will be located on the Presidio flats, southeast of the present hospital. But it will be partially masked by rising ground to the south, and on the hill side will be but eight stories high.

It will require the closing of the Lombard Street entrance to the post. The new east gate will be at Filbert street, two blocks south.

These and other details were disclosed at a press conference held by Major General Jack W. Schwartz, Letterman's present commander; Captain John D. Burky, 12th Naval District Public Works Officer, and architects Milton T. Pflueger

and Norman W. Patterson.

Burky has been assigned by the Defense Department to co-ordinate concurrent construction of both hospitals.

Burky said that both hospitals can be in operation by mid-1968 if funds are appropriated at the current session of Congress.

Letterman will have a "peacetime" capacity of 550 beds and cost an estimated \$14,350,000. The new 650-bed Oakland Naval Hospital will cost an estimated \$14,321,000.

In describing the new Presidio structure, great effort was made to quiet fears of Presidio Heights residents that it would partially block their view of the Bay and the Golden Gate.

### CONCERN

Concern over the Army's decision to build its first Pre-

sidio high-rise building arose after The Chronicle's disclosure in January of plans for the ten-story structure.

Schwartz said other Presidio locations were considered, but eventually "we returned to the present location as the only suitable one."

To put it higher on the hill in area now a eucalyptus forest would greatly increase the cost he explained. Also, it would expose the hospital to more fog and wind.

Pflueger said the inverted "T" design, with a base of three stories and a "tower" of seven floors of patient wards, was the best way of keeping the hospital from becoming a view-blocker.

### HEIGHT

He noted that the building rose 170 feet on the north

side. From the hillside entrance, it was only 100 feet above the ground.

By comparison, he said, the top of the dome of the Palace of Fine Arts is 167½ feet, suggesting that nobody is complaining that it blocks the Bay view.

Schwartz disclosed that many temporary buildings of the present hospital will have to be demolished, but the old Letterman, he said, will continue to operate until the new building is ready for occupancy.

### DEPENDANTS

Schwartz conceded the ability of the Army to care for dependants and retired personnel will be substantially reduced, since the new hospital will only have about half of the bed space of the old. Care for such people is

on a "space available basis."

Finally, the General disclosed "long-range" plans to make Letterman a "medical center" with other functions than hospital care and doctor-training.

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## Retirees' Medicare Gain Seen in Bill

WASHINGTON — The House Armed Services Committee approved the military construction authorization bill and included the 10 replacement hospitals as requested by Defense—without any beds included for retired military personnel and their dependants. But the committee agreed in closed session to state clearly in its report on the measure that the action was not to be taken as a precedent for cutting off medical care for retirees.

The concession was considered an important gain by those fighting for assured hospital care for retired military personnel. The committee's report will also include a statement by Rep. Charles Gubser (R., Calif.) calling the failure to authorize retired beds in the bill a "major breach of faith with retired military personnel."

The committee has appointed a special subcommittee to study hospital construction policy, including the question of what care should be extended to retirees and their dependants.

The construction bill report will make clear that failure to provide retired beds in this year's bill will in no way prejudice the work of the subcommittee. The subcommittee is expected to get to work soon, but its deliberations may take months. The committee could not hold up the construction bill during that time. Gubser wanted to add retired beds until such time as a new policy is set. Committee Chairman Carl Vinson (D., Ga.) said the committee should give Defense just what it asked until a new policy develops.

Defense has a special board that has been studying the problem of retired medical care for nine months but the group is not expected to finish its work until late Spring.

GUBSER MADE his statement to the committee in its final session on the construction bill.

"Without a forthright and basic change in the law," he said, "the minimum we can do if we are to follow the honorable course is to maintain the number of beds which have been available since the 1956 law." The 1956 law is the Dependents Medical Care Act which first said retired care would be on a "space available" basis.

Gubser reminded his colleagues that the hospitals in the bill were the first of 50 replacement hospitals planned over the next ten years. "The replacement hospitals... authorize less beds in many cases than exist in the facilities to be replaced," he said. "At Oakland and Letterman hospitals in the San Francisco Bay area, the 266

retired beds will be eliminated. The same is true in other sections of the country."

Gubser was the only committee member to speak out for more retired beds at this time. But it was learned other members support the extension of care to retirees but did not think the time was right to force the issue.

SOME MEMBERS said privately they wanted to give the special subcommittee a chance to study the matter before deciding one way or the other. Others felt the subcommittee might come up with a solution that would not require much expansion of military facilities—such as a retired version of the dependents medical care act.

Gubser told the committee: "The present law (Dependent Medical Care Act) provides for retired care on a 'space available basis.' Now there are some who are using this language to justify a position that beds for care of our retired personnel can be eliminated from future construction. This is not a valid position since the language of the statute should be interpreted in light of practices which prevailed prior to and subsequent to its passage.

"As long as we have had military retirement there has never been any question that military retirees and their dependants are entitled to medical care. Even the 1956 act did not in practice restrict the level of this care."

"Retired medical care has become part and parcel of the consideration on which a military career is based. The United States has a clear-cut, moral obligation to provide the care it has promised and has traditionally given to those it has recruited... If we are to change the policy that has prevailed then we should be honest about it and spell it out in the law.

"What is most serious is what this bill will do to the military careerist—the man who patriotically serves his country even though his pay is not comparable to civilian standards, the one who endures the inconvenience of separation from family and disruption of his life—the one who accepts hardship and risk as part of his way of life. What inducement will there be for a man to accept these inconveniences and dangers when the Congress of the United States breaks the solemn promises it has made one by one?"

Navy Times learned, meanwhile, that Defense had supplied some committee members with figures showing the ten hospitals to be replaced and of the five Air Force hospitals getting additions, now use a daily average of 366 beds for retirees and their dependants.

## New Navy Hospital Unveiled

The Navy's proposed replacement for its aging Oakland Naval Hospital is a cross-shaped, nine-story structure which will rise only a few hundred yards from the old hospital.

Preliminary plans for both the new hospital here and replacement for Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco were unveiled today at a joint Army-Navy press conference.

The House Armed Services Committee has approved \$14 million each for the replacement facilities and sent the authorization along to Congress for final action.

### READY IN 1968

Officials here estimated today that the new hospitals would be ready for occupancy by mid-1968 if Congress approves the expenditure during the current session.

The 650-bed Oakland hospital will be constructed in a hill-encircled area just east of the existing hospital's administration building.

The replacement for Letterman General Hospital is a 10-story, 550-bed structure which will also be located a short distance from the existing hospital at the Presidio.

Both Army and Navy officials at the press conference reported that specific efforts had been made in both cases to preserve the surrounding views.

According to Capt. John D. Burky, public works officer for the 12th Naval District, the Oakland hospital will be designed with a four-story base surrounded by a five-story tower.

### RAZE OLD BUILDINGS

When the new hospital is completed, most of the 130 World War II vintage buildings which make up the existing hospital will be torn down.

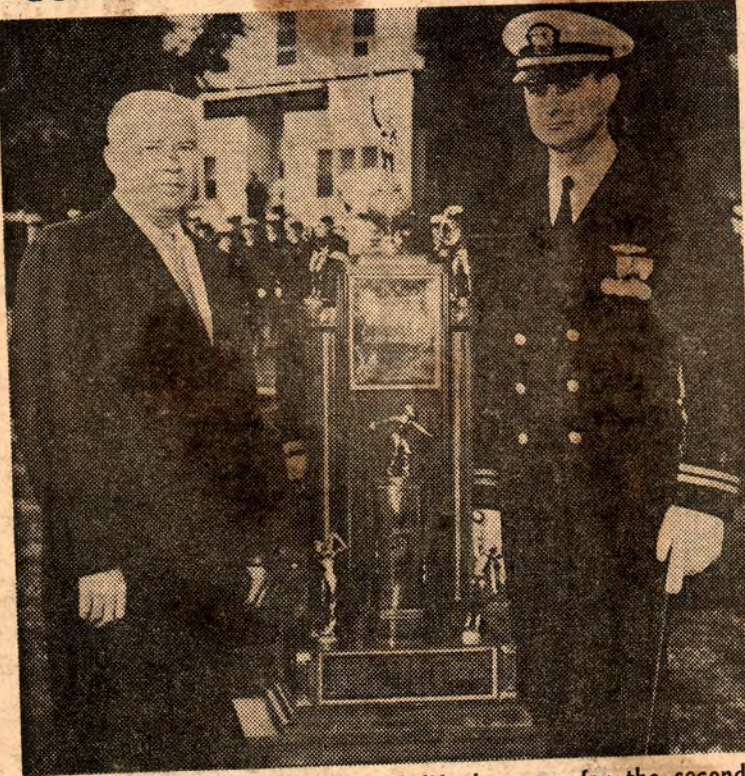
Some, however, will be retained as quarters for the permanent hospital staff.

Architects for both hospitals are the San Francisco firms of Milton T. Pflueger and Stone, Marracchini, Patert Patterson and Associates.

A national committee of top-ranking architects has approved the preliminary plans.

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## Commandant's Trophy



NAVAL HOSPITAL, Oakland, Calif., has won for the second consecutive year the 12th Naval District Commandant's Trophy for athletic excellence. Coach Ken Moffett, left, led his teams to seven first places, four seconds and one third. Lt. William L. Blankenship, right, is the hospital's special services officer.



## TRULY A LABOR OF LOVE

# Korean Navy Will Honor Volunteer Hospital Worker

Mrs. Claire Breuer told today how her years of volunteer work for the Red Cross and Oakland's Navy Hospital have been truly a labor of love.

"You keep only what you give away," she said, quietly, and then spent the next 10 minutes exhorting an interviewer not to mention her at all.

There are so many other people doing so much that my contribution simply does not de-

serve any special attention," she said.

If Mrs. Breuer's work is a labor of love, however, the love is readily reciprocated from the other side. The Korean Navy officially cites Mrs. Breuer tomorrow for her tireless hours in helping visiting Korean Navy medical and dental officers master English.

Mrs. Breuer, wife of Joseph Breuer, 5638 Keith Ave., first

came to the Navy Hospital as a volunteer in 1949.

"I had been looking for some volunteer work to do for some time," she said, "and I learned that the Navy boys needed a Spanish teacher to sort of help them out."

So Mrs. Breuer elected to do volunteer Spanish teaching. Eventually this led to assisting visiting Navy men with their English — and thus the Koreans met Mrs. Breuer.

Her home already is known among the visitors as "Korea House" — a place where she and her husband make them constantly feel the warmth and gentleness of an American welcome.

The Koreans, however, are not the first to recognize Mrs. Breuer's obvious — if shyly discussed — service. The U.S. Navy last July awarded her its Meritorious Public Service Citation, the second highest honor the Navy confers on a civilian.

Mrs. Breuer then was cited for her "outstanding contributions to the Department of the Navy in the fields of education and international relations."

The Breuers have a son, Elliot, 29, also of Oakland, and a granddaughter, Sheryl Lynn, 2.

## Korea Honors Oakland Woman

Mrs. Joseph R. Breuer, whose Oakland home is known to friends and neighbors as "Korea House," received a formal citation of honor from the Korean government Saturday.

The citation was conferred on her by the Korean Chief of Naval Operations, Vice-Admiral Maeng Kee Lee, in a ceremony at the Korean Consulate, 3500 Clay street.

Mrs. Breuer has been a Red Cross volunteer at Oakland Naval Hospital since 1947. She teaches classes in English and in American customs to foreign observer-trainees, many of whom are Korean, and she and her husband open their home for hospitality to many foreign visitors.

The home is at 5638 Keith avenue.



**THANKS FROM KOREA** — Mrs. Claire Breuer is thanked at Berkeley luncheon by Vice Admiral Maeng Kee Lee, Korea's chief of naval operations, for teaching Korean medical and dental personnel training at Oakland Naval Hospital. Mrs. Breuer, a Red Cross volunteer at the hospital since 1947, offers foreign officers a weekly class in the English language and American customs. Adm. Lee gave her a citation in an earlier ceremony at Korean consulate in San Francisco.

## Gray Ladies Call for Volunteers

Oakland's Red Cross Gray Ladies today announced openings for volunteers to help serve in veterans hospitals.

The famed Gray Ladies, who have served with the Red Cross

since World War I, assist in administering service programs to hospitalized servicemen and veterans.

"A number of essential volunteer positions now are open for

women over the age of 18 who can spare one afternoon a week, helping us assist the 650 patients at Oakland Naval Hospital," Gray Ladies chairman Mrs. Thea V. Waybright said.

"Here," she said, "is an opportunity to serve in the uniform of one of the oldest Red Cross services — one with a tradition of mercy which gained its fame behind the fighting lines at the battles of the Marne, Meuse-Argonne and Belleau Wood."

## Navy Will Change Design for Hospital

Architects will alter the design of the new \$17 million Oakland Naval Hospital to allow room for possible future expansion.

Preliminary plans for the nine-story building were first released three weeks ago.

Since then, Rep. John F. Baldwin, R-Contra Costa County,

recommended to the Defense Department that the design be modified to allow an additional wing for future bed expansion.

Defense spokesmen said the alterations would be made to the extent possible without significant increase in cost. Similar modifications will be made on designs for the replacement

for Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco.

Baldwin said the two new hospitals will together have less bed space than those they are designed to replace.

He noted that studies are underway to determine the future requirements for military bed space in the Bay Area for dependents and retired military personnel. These studies could reflect the need for additional beds.

The new Oakland hospital will be constructed a few hundred yards away from the existing facilities and is expected to be ready for occupancy by 1968.



**BAY CITY BEAGLE:** Let's magic economy spell is being felt everywhere. Now the Naval hospitals around here have cut back from 33 ounces of milk daily (for staff and non-bed patients) to 28 ounces...

## Mrs. Breuer Cited

OAKLAND, Calif. — Vice Adm. Maeng Kee Lee, Chief of Naval Operations of the Korean Navy, has presented a citation to Mrs. Joseph R. Breuer in recognition of her services to Korean trainees at the Naval Hospital here. She is a volunteer Red Cross worker.

Last July Mrs. Breuer received the Secretary of Navy's Meritorious Public Service Citation for her contributions in the fields of education and international relations.

## AAUW Meeting

A new member of Oakland Branch of the American Association of University Women, Lt. Cmdr. Georgie Simpson, will be the featured speaker at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 24, science section meeting in the home of Mrs. Robert Price, Piedmont.

Lt. Cmdr. Simpson, a transfer from the AAUW club at Bethesda, Md., where she worked at Bethesda Naval Hospital, will discuss "Virology." A past worker at the virus lab of the U.S. Public Health Service in Montgomery, Ala., the speaker has also worked on the influenza virus in the Great Lakes area.

Other new members of the branch, announced by Mrs. Kenneth Snyder, membership chairman, are Irma Blom and Mmes. Spencer Benbow, Helen R. Demsey, James Dilling, C. J. Guelzaff, Thomas Jensen, Thomas MacGowan, Ray C. Olsen, William Salinger and Ray E. Wentworth.



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## USNH Officers' Wives Award Scholarships

The Officers' Wives' Club of U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, announces the establishment of annual scholarship awards to be used for education at the college level. The award may be used at any generally accredited college or university. Awards will be made on the basis of merit and scholastic promise, with financial need being considered only in case of equally worthy applicants.

The applicant must be the son or daughter (natural, adopted, or step-child) of an officer (Chief Warrant included) in the Medical Corps, Dental Corps, Medical Service Corps, or Chaplains Corps, who is now on active duty in the Regular Navy or on extended active duty with reserve status within the limits of the Twelfth Naval District. Sons and daughters of retired or deceased officers are also eligible, providing the father's last duty station was within this area.

The awards are in the form of outright grants to be made each year in an amount not to exceed \$300. The number and value of the awards each year will be determined by the club on the basis of funds available. Two scholarships of \$300 each will be awarded for the 1964-65 academic year.

The deadline for submitting applications is May 20.

Application forms may be obtained by mail or in person from the Administrative Officer, U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland.

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## Hospital Officers' Wives' Club Will Give Scholarships

The Officers' Wives' Club of the Oakland Naval Hospital announces the establishment of annual scholarships to be used at any generally accredited college or university. Awards will be made primarily on the basis of merit and scholastic promise. Financial need will be considered after those requisites.

The applicant must be the son or daughter (natural, adopted, or step-child) of an officer (chief warrant included) in the Medical, Dental, Medical Service, or Chaplain Corps, assigned within the 12th Naval District. The parent must be either a regular on active duty or a reservist on extended active duty. Sons and daughters of retired or deceased officers are eligible if the father's last station was in 12ND.

The awards are outright grants, not to exceed \$300. The number and value of the grants will be determined yearly on the basis of funds available.

Two scholarships of \$300 each will be given for the 1964-65 academic year.

May 20 is the deadline for submitting applications. The forms can be obtained from the Administrative Officer, U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland.

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## Medical Dependents Offered Scholarships

Cash scholarships for college work have been set up for children of Navy medical officers and chaplains in the area by the Officers' Wives' Club of the U. S. Naval Hospital in Oakland.

Two scholarships of \$300 each will be awarded for the 1964-65 academic year. May 20 is the deadline for submitting applications.



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## NEW COMMANDING OFFICER

CAPT W. S. Baker, Jr., (MC), USN, who is now Executive Officer at U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California, will relieve CAPT W. G. Lawson as Commanding Officer of U. S. Naval Hospital, Jacksonville on 22 June 1964.

CAPT Lawson will then resume his previous billet as Executive Officer and Chief of Dermatology.

Further details and biography will be given in a later issue.

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CAPT. W. S. BAKER JR.

## Capt. Baker Gets Post In Florida

Capt. William S. Baker Jr., 49, executive officer of Oakland Naval Hospital, will become commanding officer of the U.S. Naval Hospital, Jacksonville, Fla.

He will report there in mid-June, the Navy announced today.

His replacement here will be Capt. Sidney L. Arje, who will arrive next month from Naples, Italy.

Capt. Baker reported to Oak Knoll in August, 1960, as chief of the obstetrics and gynecology service, and two years later assumed his present duties.

His promotion to a command post comes after 23 years in the Navy Medical Corps.

Capt. Baker, a native of Detroit, served with Marine and Navy units in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater during World War II. During his tour of duty in Oakland he and his family have lived in quarters on the hospital compound.

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## Andrews Reviews Recruits At CG Alameda Graduation

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Rear Adm. C. L. Andrews, commanding officer of the Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, reviewed the graduation parade for the 53 recruits of Company Hotel 42.

James K. Bonney was cited as honor man of the company and the commanding officer, Capt. O. D. Weed, presented him a plaque in recognition. Ronald J. Campbell was cited as the most improved in physical condition.

Booker T. Barfield, radarman first, commanded the company.

In Golf 42, top honors were captured by Alfred N. Ramsauer, and Jerry Lee Echols, boatswain's mate first, was company commander.

Richard E. Garlinghouse was honor man in Foxtroi 42, Richard E. Jeffe was cited as making the

biggest improvement in physical education, and Norman J. Garner, quartermaster first, was company commander.



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## Doctors Helpless

# Brave Scout Faces Death With Smile

By PETE KUEHL  
Staff Writer

Young Kent Barker smiled Friday.

It was a fleeting smile. It surely was a brave smile. It may have been his last smile.

Kent, you see, knows he is dying.

Doctors at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland can do nothing. They say death will come within two weeks.

Kent, who is 18 years old, is suffering from what physicians call a "terminal kidney disease."

He has been kept alive in the most comfortable manner possible under the circumstances by drugs and pain killers.

He is called the "miracle boy" at sprawling Oak Knoll. Everyone, it seems, has heard his story.

And they know the inevitable end which, perhaps, might have been different.

The first chapter wrote itself in 1957 when Kent, then 11, learned he had a sick kidney.

Life went on. Kent continued in school. He worked as hard as ever at Boy Scouting.

Until last fall, there was hope the ill kidney might mend.

It did not. In December, Mrs. Helen Barker, Kent's mother, took him to Letterman Army Hospital in San Francisco for tests.

Mrs. Barker is the wife of an Army major, and the family is entitled to use service hospitals.

There had been a lot of publicity about a growing medical miracle—kidney transplants—in newspapers and magazines.

Might Mrs. Barker, mother of six children, save the life of one of them by donating one of her two good organs?

Early this year, the mother underwent tests. But about a month ago, doctors decided Kent's infection had weakened him so, major surgery would place too much of a strain on his heart. There would be no transplant.

That's when Kent knew he would die before the end of spring.

The news of fate's cruel decision also came about the time another mother of six, Mrs. Mary Ellen Haughy of Castro Valley, was preparing to donate a kidney to save the life of her son, Bobby, who is 16.

Bobby, after a transplant Tuesday, is "fine."

"I prayed for that boy and his mother," said Mrs. Barker.

She has been staying in San Leandro with her sister, Mrs. John McDonnell, 15309 Mendocino St., since Kent was transferred to Oak Knoll early this month.

Meanwhile, her 19-year-old daughter, Marsha, a college student, cares for two younger sisters and a little brother, Wayne, at the family's home in Aptos, a small coastal town south of Fort Ord where the father was stationed until recently.

Wayne, 8 years old and a Cub Scout, visited his brother at Oak Knoll Friday.

With him came his den mother, a Boy Scout friend of Kent's, and the dying boy's Scoutmaster.

Although barely conscious, Kent could hear, if not talk.

Someone placed a small statu-



TO KENT BARKER  
... a "Brave Scout"



VETERANS HOSPITALS CHRISTMAS COMMITTEE OFFICERS  
Thomas Mullen, Arthur Ames, Mary Valle, Bryant King and Allan Strutz

## King Heads Vet Hospital Committee

Bryant E. King has been elected president of the Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee.

He succeeds Arthur Ames as president of the group, which each year provides Christmas gifts and parties for the patients in the Veterans Administration hospital in Livermore and Oakland Naval Hospital.

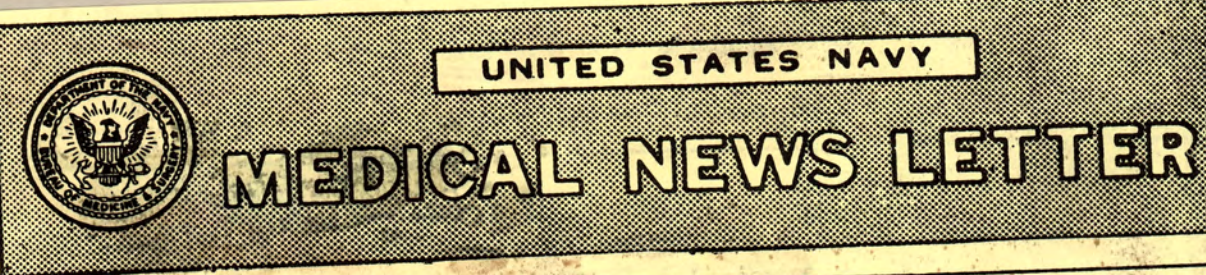
King will be assisted during his term by Miss Mary Valle, permanent secretary-treasurer; and Thomas Mullen and Allan Strutz, vice presidents.

Re-elected to the board of directors were Felix Chialvo, John Groom, Paul Manolis, Joseph Tofanelli and Mrs. John Young.

Contributions to the committee fund last year totaled \$20,376. The group spent \$16,435, leaving a surplus of \$3,941 to begin this year's project.

The 1964 Christmas program brought Christmas entertainment to 1,500 patients.

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## Oak Knoll's Exhibit on Sex Education Presented at A.C.O.G. Meeting in Miami

"Sex Education is a Professional Responsibility" is the title of an exhibit CAPT James P. Semmens, Chief of OB-GYN of the U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, and members of his staff prepared for the meeting of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists which was held in Miami from 17-22 May.

CAPT Semmens is chairman of the Sex Education Committee—a part of the Committee on Maternal Health of the college.

The exhibit is a series of panels showing materials available for instruction at six different levels—elementary school, junior high, high school, college, medical school, and residency training. The materials include books, movies, and magazine articles available for teaching at all levels. At the top of each panel is a color transparency showing students engaged in discussion and study at the different levels.

CAPT Semmens, LT Robert C. Cefalo, third-year-OB-GYN resident, and LT Armand J. Choquette, Jr., second-year resident, monitored the exhibit at Miami. They also presented a one-hour movie program, showing the three best movies from 60 the committee had reviewed in connection with its studies. A brochure containing the information included in the exhibit was published for distribution at Miami and at various locations where the College arranged to present the display following the Miami meeting.

Assisting the doctors in preparing the exhibit were HMCM C.C. Coward, administrative assistant to CAPT Semmens, HM1 E.E. Montgomery of the Navy Prosthetic Research Laboratory, HM2 Manuel Villaroman of Photo Lab, and HM3 Clarence W. Shawver III of the Outpatient Department.

—Submitted by RADM C. L. Andrews MC USN, Commanding Officer, USNH, Oakland, Calif.

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## Funds Voted For Two Bay Hospitals

Funds for the replacement of Letterman Army Hospital at the Presidio and the Oakland Naval Hospital were approved yesterday by the House Appropriations Committee, probably assuring the start of construction during the next fiscal year.

The committee shaved each hospital budget request by \$500,000, with the final figures set at \$13.7 million for a 550-bed replacement for Letterman and \$13.9 million for a 650-bed replacement of the Naval hospital.

Other major budget requests approved by the committee included \$2.7 million for classrooms, laboratories and housing at the Naval Post Graduate School, Monterey.

The Navy Radiological Defense Laboratory at Hunters Point, lost a \$793,000 fund request for animal research.

## Navy Will Free Land At Oakland Hospital

The Navy will be able to release 20 acres of the area on which the Oakland Naval Hospital is located after its replacement institution is built.

This was disclosed in testimony made public last week in support of the Navy's request for \$14.5 million construction for the new 650-bed hospital. Construction is planned for the next fiscal year.

Navy officers told the House Appropriations subcommittee on military construction that 78 of 156 buildings comprising the

present hospital would be razed.

Rear Admiral C. D. Riggs said the consolidation in a new multi-story hospital would make 20 acres of the 232-acre site surplus, even if the hospital should later be expanded. The surplus area would be the northwest portion of the present Oak Knoll location.

Favorable testimony also was given for spending about the same amount of money on a replacement for Letterman Hospital at the Presidio.

It is planned to build two new hospitals concurrently.

## Services Hold Out For Two Hospitals

### \$7 Million Saving If Letterman and Navy Would Join

Defense Department officials have asked Congress for two new military hospitals in Oakland and San Francisco — despite an estimated \$7 million savings if both hospitals were combined.

Defense officials, in House Appropriations Committee testimony released yesterday, said the two-hospital decision came only after "prolonged study."

The Navy is asking for a \$14.5 million, 650-bed hospital to replace the Oakland Naval Hospital, and the Army is asking for a new \$14.3 million, 550-bed Letterman General Hospital.

Rear Adm. C. D. Riggs told the House Committee a single, 2,000-bed hospital would cost about \$7 million less than two hospitals and that annual operating costs would run about \$1.6 million less.

But he said a larger hospital would be harder to administer and said that, should a catastrophe strike, it would be easier to expand two separate hospitals.

Riggs said it would be possible to release about 20 acres of the 232-acre Oakland site.

He testified that 78 of the 127 buildings now making up the Oakland Naval Hospital would be demolished when a new hospital was built.

Defense officials assured the committee that operation of the hospitals would be co-ordinated to prevent unnecessary duplication.

Army Maj. Gen. W. R. Shuler told the committee that the Presidio of San Francisco was a "hard-core permanent installation" and that its possible release was no longer under discussion.



JAMES E. KIMBER, LEFT, JOHN EVANS, STEVE WHITGOB AND MIKE SEMMENS  
The winners in first Alameda County Bar Association essay contest

## Skyline Senior Wins First County Bar Essay Contest

Mike Semmens, 18, a senior at Skyline High School, is the winner of the first annual Alameda County Bar Association essay contest.

Mike, son of Capt. and Mrs. J. P. Semmens of Oakland Naval Hospital, received \$50 for his description of "The Importance of Law in Everyday Life."

The association plans to hold

the contest each year in conjunction with Law Day USA to promote knowledge and respect for the law.

Skyline was the only school here to take up the contest this year, according to attorney James Kimber, one of the judges.

But he said the association expects entries from a number of schools next year.

Second and third place awards at Skyline went to Steve Whitgob, 17, of 4624 Kaphan Ave., and John Evans, 17, of 101 Colgett Drive.

Tied for fourth were Oren Mosher, 16, of 11520 Sun Valley Drive, Jerry Brostrom, 17, of 10834 Ettrick St. and coed Leslie Macdonald, 16, of 4118 Barner Ave.

## Survey Says Minorities Hold Third of Government Jobs

By LEONARD BLAIKIE

More than one third of all employees of federal government agencies in the Eastbay are members of minority groups, by the regional office of the U.S. Civil Service Commission in San Francisco.

Of the total civilian work force of 19,746 in the area surveyed from Richmond to San Leandro, 38 per cent are non-Caucasians, Negroes constitute 30.3 per cent.

In the same area 1960 census figures show about 27 per cent of the population belonged to minority groups. The Negro percentage was 16.3.

### ONE OF MANY

Results of the study, one of many conducted throughout the United States to determine whether minority groups are getting their fair share of government jobs, were relayed to the President's Committee on

Equal Employment Opportunities in Washington, D.C.

The survey showed also that minorities hold a good share of positions drawing higher salaries (\$6,000 a year and up).

The survey team, headed by Mrs. Anne S. Hay concluded that in this area persons of minority groups have equal opportunities for federal employment. They pointed out, however, a need for a more intensive search for qualified people for more skilled jobs. All of the jobs are filled through competitive examinations.

### NO DETAILS RELEASED

Detailed information about personnel at various government installations was not disclosed by the Civil Service Commission.

Personnel officers of the various agencies surveyed provided these details.

One of the larger federal employers in the area, Oakland Naval Supply Center, reported a total of 4,021 civilian workers, half of whom are of minority groups, including 44 per cent Negroes.

About one third of Naval Supply's 594 Negro employees are in the \$6,000 a year and higher category.

### SINCE OPENING

A spokesman for the center said the attempt to make jobs available to members of minority groups "is nothing new to us. We have been at it since the station was opened on Dec. 15, 1941."

Alameda Naval Air Station, with a total civilian work force of 7,697, last June 30, had 2,598 members of minority groups on the payroll, 33.7 per cent, including 22.8 per cent Negroes. Among the workers in the \$6,000 a year and high-

er bracket, 28.7 per cent are of minority groups.

Major post offices in the area reported a total of 2,587 workers, 39 per cent of whom are Negro, principally in the Oakland and Richmond offices.

### AT ARMY TERMINAL

At the Oakland Army Terminal, now consolidated with Fort Mason, 38.6 per cent of the 1906 jobs are held by members of minority groups. The breakdown is 30.6 per cent Negro, 5.2 per cent Oriental and 1.8 per cent Spanish-speaking.

Of the 530 civilian employees at Oakland Naval Hospital, 211, or almost 40 per cent, belong to minority groups. Negroes constitute almost 35 per cent. There are 189 in the above \$6,000 a year brackets, including 64 or almost 34 per cent minority group members.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has 594 employees at agencies at Berkeley and Albany, including 102, or 17 per cent minority group members. Among the latter are 62 Negroes.

In the San Francisco Pro-

curement District of the U.S. Army, located in Oakland, there are 434 employees of which 93, or 21 per cent, are minority group members. Twenty per cent of the latter are in the \$6,000 a year and higher salary brackets.

The Atomic Energy Commission numbers among its 479 Eastbay employees, 13 per cent from minority groups. Negroes make up six per cent of the total.



# World of Women

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## Jr. JANGOS Training On

By LOUISE WRIGHT

Teen-age daughters of officers in the armed forces will be given an opportunity to train as junior JANGOs at U.S. Naval Hospital in Oakland this summer.

The annual orientation and training class will begin Tuesday, June 30, and will run two weeks, from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. daily Monday through Friday.

Training will be given in nurses' aide work — bed-making, bed baths, stripping and cleaning units, taking temperatures, assisting with admission and discharge of patients.

After their classroom instruction, JANGO trainees will give 76 hours of service, under supervision — then will be capped and graduated.

Many will continue to serve in the fall, as school schedules allow, thus earning pins and chevrons as they pass various milestones along the way.

Founded in Washington, D.C., in 1942, JANGO is an inter-service, non-profit organization serving women and teen-age girls of commissioned officers' families (active, retired and reserve).

Its purpose is to form a link between service people and the community, to train young women for community

service, to promote togetherness in service families themselves.

Eligible teen-agers interested in becoming JANGOs may obtain full information by calling the chief nurse's office at Oak Knoll, according to JANGO chairman Mrs. D. J. Pascoe.

Applications must be in by Saturday, June 13, in time for uniforms to be ordered.

2 D. Oakland Tribune Mon., May 25, 19

## Motorist, Cyclist Die In Crash

Two men — a bicycle rider and the motorist who crashed into him — died in a freak accident on San Leandro Street near Moorpark Street.

Police said the auto driven by Richard T. Wills, 26, of 1605 Bay St., Alameda, crossed the center line on San Leandro and struck cyclist Wilbur D. Ross, 44, of 738 Stratford Road, at 2:30 a.m. yesterday.

Ross was hurled 99 feet by the impact.

Wills' car traveled on at a high rate of speed, slammed into a power pole, struck a rose trellis in front of 900 Moorpark and burst into flames.

The dead cyclist was the son of Wilbur A. Ross, retired sea captain and former commander of the Dollar Line fleet.

The senior Ross said his son, who was unemployed, had gone to visit friends in San Leandro and was returning home at the time of the accident.

Two Navy corpsmen driving in the vicinity told police they heard the crashes but no sound of braking or skidding.

They pulled Wills from his burning car and administered external heart massage, but he died eight hours later.

Ross died at the scene.

The witnesses who attempted to aid Wills were William E. Pillow, 24, and Joseph Elliott Jr., 23, both stationed at Oakland Naval Hospital.

In San Francisco, a woman pedestrian died last night several hours after she was struck by a car driven by a Marin County physician.

Dr. George M. Burnell of San

Rafael told police he stepped on the accelerator instead of the brake as he drove along Vicente Street.

The car leaped the curb and struck Yon Ng Young, 67, of 2667 35th Ave., San Francisco, and continued on, crashing into a home at 2747 Valencia.

Dr. Burnell was cited for violating a pedestrian right-of-way. He was uninjured.

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"SUPERMARKET FOR  
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## JANGO Offers Hospital Work To Teen-Agers

Teen-age daughters (14 and over) of officers in the armed forces may gain valuable experience by training as junior nurses' aides at the Oakland Naval Hospital during summer vacation.

The girls are called JANGOs — for Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization. They are volunteers.

The annual orientation and training class will begin June 30 and run for two weeks. It will meet from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Members are trained in such work as bed-making, giving bed baths, cleaning in-patient facilities, taking temperatures, and assisting with admission and discharge of patients.

After their classroom instruction, JANGO trainees give 76 hours of supervised service in the women's and children's wards before being graduated and capped. They may continue to serve as their school schedules permit, earning pin and chevrons as they pass various milestones in their service.

Applications for this program must be in by June 13 so that uniforms may be ordered. The complete uniform costs an applicant \$10.85, and the JANGO annual dues are \$2.

To apply, call the Chief Nurse's Office, Oakland Naval Hospital, 569-8211, extension 245; or Mrs. D. J. Pascoe, JANGO chairman, 562-3242.

## REMEMBER WHEN?

Salty Dogs of Early Century Navy Recall \$9 Pay,

Great White Fleet, WWI Patrols, Water Rationing



SALTY DOGS—Harry J. Sanders (left), a Navyman since '06; Leo A. LaBelle, the "boot" who joined in 1911, and Harry J. "Bulkhead" Arnell, who signed up in 1908, reminisce of the good old days.

The February 21 issue of the "Oak Leaf", Oak Knoll Naval Hospital paper, carried this account of their reporter's interview with three old FRA shipmates in Ward 62B. So as not to ruin the story's flavor, your Editor reprints it verbatim for your enjoyment.

Tales of the old coal burners, the '06 San Francisco earthquake, sailing with the Great White Fleet, of World War I patrols in the North Atlantic, and of \$9 a month pay filled the air in 62B last week when three "salts", who have a combined total of 90 years' Naval service, reminisced of the days of iron men and wooden ship—well, almost!

The trio—Harry J. Sanders, an ex-gunner's mate; Leo A. LaBelle, the chief water tender, and Harry J. Arnell the boiler tender, recalled details of yesterday's Navy so vividly that the Oak Leaf reporter couldn't begin to record all the color of the "old days" in his notes.

Sanders, who retired as a warrant officer in 1936, was visiting shipmates LaBelle and Arnell, both patients in 62B.

"In those days," recalled the trio, "we were issued a bucket half-filled with water each day. This ration had to take care of brushing your teeth, taking a bath, and washing your clothes—in that order." They used salt water to rinse their laundry.

LaBelle remembers the day the chief suggested that each man in his division pool one-half of his water ration and store it in a wooden barrel. "That way," he reasoned, "we would be able to have more water for the crew." All worked fine until LaBelle returned to the compartment one day to find his chief joyously splashing in the barrel taking a bath—soap suds and all. "That ended the cooperative water reservoir."

Sanders joined the Navy in 1906 and sailed that year with the Great White Fleet in the battleship MARYLAND.

"This was Teddy Roosevelt's 'Big Stick,'" Sanders recalls, "and the round-the-world cruise lasted nearly three years. The fleet was magnificent," he continued, "and the sight of our ships in many ports impressed the world that America was a mighty nation capable of carrying 'the big stick' to any trouble points."

Arnell, who never married, donned his Navy blues on 14 September 1908. He was dubbed "Bulkhead" while on the battlewagon COLORADO with LaBelle. "He was quite a fighter," LaBelle remembers, "both on liberty and on the ship. If Arnell didn't get into a fight before slipping into his hammock, he couldn't sleep." "Bulkhead" Arnell would go looking for a fight throughout the ship, but he was so rough and tough that other crewmen would avoid him—especially if they knew he "couldn't sleep." "Unable to find a scuffle, he would charge into the iron bulkhead two or three times almost knocking himself unconscious—then he could retire for the night."

The nickname has remained with Arnell, and his cane is inscribed BULKHEAD in bold, black letters. Every page on his medical chart is also imprinted with the nickname.

Arnell got even with LaBelle for remembering that tale by recalling that LaBelle never got used to the sea. "Always seasick!"

During those early days, the old sailors recalled, the Navy had only three hospitals—Chelsea, Bremerton, and Mare Island. Shipboard sickbays, by comparison, usually carried only two bottles of "medicine in stock—epsom salts and iodine." "It was usually much better to let nature cure you of most illnesses," recalled Arnell, "than to take a gamble on those two bottles."

LaBelle recalled that to be a coal passer, the minimum weight requirement was 160 pounds, and although the working conditions were not as desirable as those of a deck rating, the

extra pay more than compensated for any inconveniences—an extra \$3 monthly.

When Sanders joined the Navy the pay for an apprentice was \$9. Of this, one-half had to be sent home, unless the sailor was 21-years-old. One dollar went to the barber, and the tailor and shoe repairman on board split another dollar. "That left us \$2.50 liberty money for the month," says Sanders. "But the food was excellent," offered the trio, "and in those days we joined the Navy to see the world. There was little shore duty."

"Bulkhead's" first ship was the frigate USS PENSACOLA in 1908. The native of San Francisco was on hand during the great San Francisco earthquake and remembers the raging fires, toppled buildings and citizens screaming as they tried to run away from falling debris. He was assigned recruiting duty in San Francisco during WWII. During the first World War he was on a troop ship shuttling soldiers to Europe.

Sanders served during World War I on minesweeper duty while LaBelle was a crewmember of the destroyer USS CHAUNCEY sunk off Gibraltar by a German submarine. He was rescued by the destroyer USS BAINBRIDGE and continued to serve in her throughout the war.

"Shipmate Leo" as he is known throughout the Fleet Reserve Association, served as the Association's National President in 1949-50. He has served on the organization's many national committees thru the years, also. In 1952 he was the Chairman of the National Convention held at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco. Needless to say, it was an outstanding convention.

If there are any old salts at Oak Knoll who would like to swap sea stories of yesterday's Navy, visit 62B—but wear your boots—the "salt" is mighty deep!

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# The Miami Herald for and about WOMEN

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Section C

## Problems of Pregnancy No Different in Teens

By ROBERTA APPELGATE  
Herald Staff Writer

Do teen-aged mothers, as many obstetricians believe, have more problems during pregnancy than other women in the child-bearing years?

A survey of 63,000 women cared for in 22 U.S. Navy hospitals indicates the answer is no. Except for one thing:

Weight and diet.

"Weight gain is the only

sign of an increase among teenagers in any of the usual complications," Capt. James P. Semmens reported.

He is chief of obstetrics and gynecology at the U.S. Naval Hospital and directed the survey.

"We have to get the teen-aged patient off the soft drink-hot dog-hamburger-drive-in routine, and onto a good basic diet with correct vitamin and mineral intake."

Each 10 pounds of extra weight gain increases the chances of a mild form of toxemia (poisoning) by four per cent. Toxemia increases infant mortality rate.

"Some teen mothers are pretty chubby to begin with and will need to lose weight," he said.

Captain Semmens presented the survey report during the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists sessions at the Americana Hotel. It covered a two-year period.

Of the 63,000 women covered in the report, 20.8 per cent were teenage wives of servicemen. This is about twice as many as reported in a civilian survey, possibly because many teenage brides marry servicemen.

These are some of the findings:

There were no maternal deaths among the teenagers.

The number of spontaneous abortions, sometimes thought to be a problem because of teenagers' lack of maturity, actually is about half that expected in all patients during their reproductive years.

Prematurity is no more of a problem with teenagers than any other mothers, "another theory that failed to prove out," Captain Semmens said. The rate for teenagers and for all mothers in the study was almost identical.

Teenagers who already have given birth to two or three children are likely to have very rapid labor, and they should be "monitored carefully" so they do not give birth unattended or without proper sedation.

Age of the mother should have no weight when the physician is deciding whether a caesarian section is indicated.

"No matter how young she is, a girl is pretty mature when she gives birth, and the decision should be based solely on the circumstances."

Teenage pregnancy is becoming increasingly important for all obstetricians and gynecologists because of the rapid increase in the teen-age population and the changing social customs which permit, and encourage, young marriages, Captain Semmens said.

He pointed out that some time ago, a 70 per cent increase in the teen population was predicted for the years between 1950 and 1970. From now on, he predicted, obstetricians and gynecologists can expect teenagers to make up a third to a half of the patients seeing them for the first time.

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## Naval Hospital Gets Cobalt Unit

Oakland's Naval Hospital has a powerful new weapon in the fight against cancer — a cobalt 60 therapy unit.

The unit, part of the gradual modernization of Oak Knoll's radiology service, is the only cobalt unit among military instal-

lations in this area and will be used for members of all branches of the service and their dependents.

It was dedicated this week by Rear Adm. Edward C. Kenney, surgeon general of the Navy.

Heretofore, Oak Knoll patients have been getting high energy radiation therapy through Peralta Hospital.

The gamma rays given off by radioactive cobalt are used in the treatment of deep-seated malignant tumors.

2 E Oakland Tribune Mon., June 22, 1964

## Big Day for Grandfather Houlihan

There were only eight minutes left to Father's Day when Mayor John C. Houlihan got the present he was awaiting.

A 7 pound, 8 ounce girl was born to his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Margaret Houlihan, 20, at 11:52 p.m. last night at Oakland Naval Hospital.

She is Houlihan's first grandchild.

Margaret's husband, John William Houlihan, 23, is a Navy officer at the Oakland Naval Supply Center.

Yesterday John W. became a father — and today he was promoted from ensign to Lieutenant Junior Grade.

Navy spokesmen said one promotion had nothing to do with the other.

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### Oakland Grants

OAKLAND, Calif. — Winners of the first annual scholarships to be awarded by the Officers' Wives Club of the Naval Hospital here have been announced by Mrs. F. W. Kempson, scholarship chairman.

Grants will go to Danalee Goldthwaite, daughter of Capt. Dana A. Goldthwaite, Chief of the Orthopedic service at the hospital, and James Stephen Hamill, son of Capt. James E. Hamill, Chief of the Neuropsychiatric Service at the hospital.

Danalee, 20, has finished 2 years at the University of Pennsylvania, and has been accepted to study at the University of London, England, next year. She is majoring in philosophy and plans to do graduate work in that field. She is also interested in biological research and psychology.

Stephen, 17, has graduated from Castro Valley High School and will enter the University of California, Davis, in September. He plans to study for a career in aeronautical engineering.

The grants are worth \$300 each.

### Grant to Janice

OAKLAND, Calif. — Janice Pascoe, daughter of Comdr. D. J. Pascoe, Chief of Pediatrics, Oakland Naval Hospital, has received an American Field Service scholarship which will take her to Germany to spend the summer with a family in Traunreut, Oberammergau.

Janice, 17, who enters her senior year this fall at Skyline High School, Oakland, is active in the Jango program at Oak Knoll and has received her chevron for 500 hours of service in the dependent wards.

Janice will live for two months in the home of a German doctor trained at the University of Oregon.

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JANICE PASCOE

## A Summer Trip to Germany

Janice Pascoe, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Delmer J. Pascoe of Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, will spend the summer in Germany on an American Field Service scholarship.

In Traunreut, a town of 8,000 inhabitants, she will be the house guest of Dr. Siegfried Schleuning, a physician who received his training at University of Oregon, Mrs. Schleuning and their five children.

The latter are Hans-Peter, 22, who is studying at University of Munich; Dieter, 20, who is now working out an army obligation, later to take up medicine; Christian, 17, and Eva-Marie, 16, high school students; Michael, 12, a junior high student.

Close to the Alps, but 30 miles from the Austrian border and Salzburg, Traunreut is located in what many regard as the most beautiful part of Germany.

After jetting from Oakland International Airport last Thursday for New York, Jan sailed Saturday on a chartered ship, "Seven Seas."

Aboard were dozens of students who will participate in European family life during July and August, serving as AFS "junior ambassadors."



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Instructional Course in Orthotics and Prosthetics  
for the Orthopedic Resident

Location: U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California

Dates: 28 September 1964 through 1 October 1964

This 4-day course has been established to familiarize the Orthopedic Resident with the various orthotic and prosthetic appliances available to the patient; the fitting problems that occur due to specific peculiarities of each patient; the actual fitting of the patient; the evaluation of the completed devices; the method of correct and proper prescription ordering of appliances, and the basic construction methods of the more common orthotic and prosthetic appliances.

Requests should be forwarded in accordance with BUMED INST. 1520.8 at least 4 weeks in advance of the convening date of the course. A limited number of eligible and interested officers may be provided with travel orders to attend at Navy expense. Others may be issued Authorization Orders by their Commanding Officers following confirmation by this Bureau.

—Training Branch, Professional Div., BUMED.

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### Mrs. Lillian Porter

BERKELEY — A private memorial service was held today for Mrs. Lillian M. Porter, wife of the first commander of the Oakland Naval Hospital.

She died Saturday following a two-year illness.

Mrs. Porter, a native of Massachusetts, had lived here since 1922, except for times she accompanied her husband, Capt. Frederick E. Porter (USN, ret.), on tours of duty with the U. S. Navy Medical Corps in various other cities.

The family home is at 2346 Claremont Blvd.

Mrs. Porter was a longtime member of the Women's Athletic Club.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Porter is survived by two children, Mrs. Virginia Farquhar of San Diego and Frederick Porter Jr. of Tucson, Ariz.



# Painful Slip at the Bottom of the World

By J. Campbell Bruce

Bethel McMullen, first passenger on the first mid-winter flight out of Antarctica — where it's mid-night from April to August — cheerfully recounted here yesterday what might well be another unique achievement.

He is the first fire chief in the Antarctic, at any rate — ever to miss the firehouse pole and land on his head.

It broke his back and brought about a historic rescue mission that, in turn, landed him at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital.

McMullen, a 39-year-old Builder First Class with the Navy's Seabees, volunteered for a year's duty at the Naval Research Station at McMurdo Sound, going in during the daylight season last October.

## CARDS

He became chief of the seven-man McMurdo Sound Fire Department, but fires,



A. P. Wirephoto

BETHEL McMULLEN AND HIS WIFE AT OAK KNOLL  
He missed the fire pole—and broke his back

small affairs in the machine shop, were rare, and there wasn't much to do in the four-month winter darkness except play cards. And that's what they were doing on the night of June 20.

"A surprise for you — we were playing canasta," McMullen told newsmen at Oak Knoll. "About 10:20, I got up and headed for the head."

The head, in a civilian manner of speaking, is the bathroom. It was downstairs, or in naval parlance, on the lower deck, as this was a two-deck firehouse. He always went down the pole.

Now, this pole was not the traditional pole in the center of a hole in the floor, because the floor itself was unusual — only half a floor.

## OPEN SPACE

That is, the upper deck (or floor) extended only half the length of the building. The rest was open space, to make room for the tractor-



VIRGINIA AVERILL  
Nurse from New Zealand

equipped fire fighting equipment. At the end of the hallway, about two and a half feet out and off to the left, was the pole. The area was well lighted.

McMullen wandered down

the hall that night, leaped out, reached for the pole and, far off balance, plunged 16 feet headfirst.

"I'd slid down that pole a thousand times," he said, still patently bewildered. "For the life of me, I don't know how I missed it this time."

## MIND

Was his mind on the canasta hand he'd just played, or perhaps on his wife, Martha, and their four children back home in Port Hueneme?

"Not a thing on my mind," he said. "Just headin' for the head."

The flooring below was steel matting, the kind used for runways in out-of-the-way landing fields. It took 70 stitches to patch up McMullen's scalp, but the real damage was the fractured spine.

"He is paralyzed from the waist down," a Navy neurosurgeon at Oak Knoll said, "and it will be 72 hours before any decision can be made about whether surgery will help him. We do not now

know what degree of recovery can be expected."

## FLIGHT

A call went out, and a Hercules turboprop transport with a medical team aboard flew 12,522 miles from Rhode Island to a base at Christchurch, New Zealand, where it was equipped with skis for the 2400-mile hop to the ice-bound sound.

Bulldozers cleared snow off the solid-ice runway, marked by burning drums of oil. McMullen was flown out to Christchurch, and on the trip up here was accompanied by a New Zealand nurse, Virginia Averill, experienced in such cases.

His wife was at the Alameda Naval Air Station to greet him Friday night, and yesterday he grinned as he told reporters:

"This is something you sure get ribbed about — a fire chief missing the pole." The grin turned to a frown. "A thousand times . . . how the devil could I miss it?"

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BETHEL McMULLEN AND HIS WIFE, MARTHA  
As they appeared in Oak Knoll Naval Hospital today  
—News Call Bulletin Photo.

## Paralyzed in Fall

### California Man's Antarctic Injury

A 39 year old California man who volunteered to serve "for the experience" with the Seabees at McMurdo Sound, the U.S. base in the Antarctic, was in the care of doctors at Oakland Naval Hospital today.

Bethel McMullen, of Port Hueneme, paralyzed from the waist down, was flown here Friday night from Christchurch, New Zealand.

The Navy organized a mercy mission to fly him

there after he had suffered critical back and head injuries in a fall.

McMullen headed a seven-man fire department at McMurdo, and plunged 16 feet when he missed a pole in the fire house—"don't ask me how"—and landed on his head.

Navy doctors said it will be several days before tests determine whether surgery can correct the damage to his spinal cord.

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INJURED SEABEE IS BACK FROM ANTARCTICA  
Bethel McMullen is greeted by wife Martha

## Antarctic Airlift of Mercy Ends Here

An historic airlift from McMurdo Sound in Antarctica has ended at Oakland Naval Hospital, where Seabee Bethel McMullen will stay for some time, paralyzed from the waist down.

McMullen, 39, of 765 Pearson Road, Port Hueneme, was fire chief at the Navy research station in Antarctica. Last June 20 he started down from his second-story quarters at the fire station, missed the brass pole, and fell headlong to the floor below, cracking his head open and fracturing his spine.

It took 70 stitches to close his head wound, but it was apparent his back injury would require care that could not be provided at the isolated base, just 800 miles from the South Pole.

Seven days later a four-engine Navy Hercules did what had never been done before. It landed at the base airstrip during the perpetual darkness of mid-winter. A crew of 24 men had worked three days to clear the ice from the airstrip and light the runway with flaming oil drums. The plane and its 15-man crew landed on huge skis.

A few hours later McMullen was in Christchurch Hospital in Christchurch, New Zealand, where he stayed until last Friday.

Saturday, after a flight from Christchurch to Alameda Naval Air Station, he was reunited with his wife, Martha, whom he hadn't seen since the beginning of his one-year Antarctic tour of duty last Oct. 8.

A New Zealand nurse, Virginia Averill, came with him all the way.

After McMullen rests up from his long trip home his children will come to see him. They are Nan, whose 20th birthday is today; Faye, who will be 18 Wednesday; Ty, 14, and Scott, 13.

A hospital spokesman said it would be three days before a decision can be made as to whether surgery will help. "At this point," the spokesman said, "we don't know what degree of recovery can be expected."

And why did McMullen, a 15-year veteran of the Seabees, elect to go to the Antarctica?

"I don't know," he said. "I just thought I'd try something different."





EACH YEAR the San Leandro Business and Professional Women's Club presents two or more nursing scholarships. From the left are Kay Church, chairman of scholarships, Dr. Melvin Goldberg, guest speaker, Julie Montana scholarship winner, Irene Ottaway, committee member and Rebekah Lewis, president of the BPW. Not included in the picture because she was out of town was Linda McElroy, recipient of scholarship to Highland School of Nursing.

(Bordano-Zarcene Photo)

San Leandro Morning News, 25 July 1964

## Boy Amputee Patient Finds Happiness in Cub Scouting

If merit badges were given for happiness, Bobby Armstrong, 9, would have received his first the day he was made a Cub Scout.

Since Bobby, son of Sgt. Robert Armstrong, of the Marine Corps Recruit Depot at San Diego, was transferred from the San Diego Naval Hospital to the Oakland Naval Hospital on May 16 he has had a lonesome time. An infection resulting in gangrene necessitated amputation of both legs below the knee and parts of his fingers. Bobby had friends on the ward but he was lonesome for his parents and little sisters Denite and Terry. His morale was low.

One day as Mrs. Virginia Cheatham, nursing attendant on the pediatric ward, was going off duty, she mentioned she must hurry to the Cub Scout meeting.

She is den mother and her son, Jimmie, 13, is den chief. "I was just getting started in Cub Scouts before I came up here," Bobby said, his eyes brightening at the memory.

That was all that was needed. Mrs. Cheatham got into action. Navy doctors agreed that scouting would be good medicine for their small patient.

Pack 380, sponsored by the Manzanita Elementary School Parent-Teacher Association promptly made plans to take Bobby into membership.

They provided him with a complete uniform and, at a special meeting in a play yard, Al Surmani, cub master, presented Bobby with his pin.

Asked how he feels about all this, Bobby leaned back in his wheel chair and thought for a while.



BOY AMPUTEE GETS CUB SCOUT PIN

Al Surmani, Virginia Cheatham, Bobby Armstrong, 9

"Well, it would take me at least two days to tell you," he care already knew. The new Cub Scout wanted to put on his uniform at 8 a.m. so he would be sure to be ready for the meeting—scheduled for 3:15 p.m.

### Dr. Benoit Shifted To Bethesda Post

OAKLAND, Calif. — When Lt. Comdr. Fred L. Benoit III (MC) departed from the Naval Hospital here recently for National Naval Medical Research Institute, Bethesda, Md., the hospital lost its most prolific contributor to medical literature.

Dr. Benoit submitted his first paper 26 months ago. Since, he has had five papers published and two accepted for publication. His contributions have been in fields of metabolism, endocrinology, renal disease and infectious diseases. He has collaborated with members of the Clinical Investigation Center, Pathology, and Medical Service Staffs.

Three more of Dr. Benoit's papers have been submitted, and six are in various stages of preparation for publication—all to be submitted from here. Dr. Benoit also has been senior author or co-author of a number of papers accepted for presentation at local, regional, national, and international scientific meetings.

### Speaker For BPW Dinner

"Rehabilitation in Physical Medicine" will be discussed by Dr. Melvin Goldberg at a scholarship dinner of San Leandro Business and Professional Women's Club.

The tomorrow evening event is scheduled at Topp's restaurant in Oakland.

Just arrived from Minnesota Hospital at Minneapolis, Dr. Goldberg is now chief of physical medicine at U.S. Naval Hospital at Oak Knoll.

Presiding will be the scholarship chairman, Kay Church. Scholarships will be awarded Linda McElroy, a senior at Highland School of Nursing, and Julie Montana, a recent graduate of San Leandro High School now attending an Oakland business college.

Interested women are invited. Esther Pontious and Marjorie Mix are taking reservations.

## 24,000 Mile Mercy Flight

The Fire Chief of McMurdo Sound settled in a ward at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital yesterday after an unprecedented 24,000 mile mercy flight brought him back from the Antarctic station.

Seabee Bethel Lee McMullen, 39, and a New Zealand nurse arrived late Friday night at Alameda Naval Air Station from Christchurch, N.Z., where he was taken after breaking his back in a fall at the McMurdo Naval Research Station.

He had been evacuated from the frigid polar base in the first mid-winter landing ever made there. To make the rescue, a ski-equipped Hercules turboprop transport was flown 12,522 miles from Quonset Point, R.I. with a crew of 15, including four medical specialists.

#### FRIDAY TAKEOFF

And a crew of 24 men had to work 72 hours with bulldozers to clear a 10,000 foot landing strip on the ice through three feet of snow so the mercy plane could land.

Cheerful and smiling despite the injuries that have paralyzed him from the waist down, he said the tricky winter takeoff and flight from the improvised strip was "very easy" despite total darkness and sub-zero temperatures.

"They turned on every light at McMurdo and at Scott base a few miles away," he related, "and the strip itself was lighted by flaming oil drums lined up along it about every 50 feet."

He was flown out of McMurdo, on the edge of the polar continent about 800 miles from the South Pole, on



BETHEL McMULLEN GETS A PINCH FROM HIS HAPPY WIFE  
The end of a 24,000-mile mercy flight from the Antarctic

June 27, a week after the accident.

#### HEADFIRST FALL

The flight resumed from Christchurch on Friday, arriving here a day later after crossing the International Date Line.

Explaining the accident, McMullen, a 15 year Navy veteran, said:

"I was playing canasta on the upper deck of the fire station at McMurdo with some of the men in my seven man fire crew. I got up to go be-

low, reached for the fire pole, and missed it.

"I don't know how, but I missed it. I must have gone down it 1,000 times in the eight months I'd been on the station."

He pitched forward and plunged headfirst 16 feet to a steel deck. The base doctor patched up his head with 70 stitches.

#### WIFE WITH HIM

With him at Oak Knoll yesterday was his pert blonde wife, Martha, who had left their four children at home in Port Hueneme in the care of Nan, 20, the eldest daughter, to fly here.

"We'll probably move up here to be with him," she said.

Also on hand was Virginia Averill, a ward nurse at Christchurch hospital, who had supervised his care there and made the flight with him.

"I hope to stay here a month, if I can," she said, "but it depends on what the Navy's up to."

Doctors at the hospital said McMullen will be there "for some time." It will be at least 72 hours before it can be estimated whether surgery would be advisable or helpful.

### ANTARCTICA

#### Mercy Mission to McMurdo

For seven months of the year, the vast, ice-heavy continent of Antarctica is cut off from the rest of the world. Huddled in their outposts scattered along the continental shelf, scientists and technicians of a dozen different nations live a coconlike existence, surrounded by snow, space, mountains, glaciers and continuous night. The first historic break in their winter isolation came last week when a U.S. Navy plane landed on skis in the dark of night at the U.S. Antarctic base on McMurdo Sound, and then returned to the sunny outside world without mishap.

Orange Streamer. It was a mercy mission to save the life of Seabee Bethel McMullen of Port Hueneme, Calif., who had fallen from the second story of the McMurdo base fire station and landed so heavily that he nearly scalped himself and suffered cerebral concussion and a fractured spine. Because his legs were paralyzed, McMullen was placed in traction, and word was flashed to Washington that an immediate operation was necessary to save his life. There are no surgeons among the reduced 215-man winter staff on the icecap, and the Navy ordered a U.S. surgical team to risk the dangerous flight.

Two huge Hercules aircraft took off from Quonset Point, R.I., and reached the U.S. staging base at Christchurch, New Zealand, the following day. Flights from Christchurch to McMurdo have been made with almost monotonous regularity for the past eight years—but only in the sunlit months from December to March. During April the light shrinks to a thin orange streamer and then flickers out, to be succeeded by continuous night and a winter season of swift blizzards and howling gales with temperatures as low as -127° F. Not until August does the sun return.

The flight was led by Lieut. Robert Mayer, 40, of Yardville, N.J. Before takeoff, Mayer said, "No fears. I'll just be talking to the Man upstairs and let him guide me." Hurriedly, sea-

men at the Christchurch base dumped mail onto the plane for the isolated Americans, who hadn't seen a letter for five months. Messages from McMurdo urged, "Heavy on the eggs," but extra fuel, and a shipment of unrequested apples and mixed fruit pressed on the lads by the Salvation Army, left no room for that request. Flying south from Christchurch, Mayer, his 15-man crew and two surgeons were soon over the deep green of the Antarctic Sea. Below were the ships of New Zealand's navy, which had quickly deployed to rescue stations in case of trouble. Then the plane approached its landing point on the bleak continent that is twice the size of the U.S. and covered with a layer of ice up to two miles thick.

Frozen Beards. At McMurdo, men had worked all day under the ghostly lunar light extending the snowy runway



VICTIM McMULLEN AT CHRISTCHURCH  
On two miles of ice, a shot in the dark.

to 10,000 ft. On the strip, oil drums were set alight to make a landing flare path, and New Zealand's nearby Scott Base turned on all its lights as a beacon in case of trouble. "The place is lit up like a Christmas tree," exclaimed the pilot over his radio. Down to McMurdo between jagged peaks came the Hercules, as a small group of Americans on the ice breathed tensely through frozen beards. The landing was perfect, and, while ground crewmen serviced the plane, the Salvation Army's apples were off-loaded along with the mail and a helicopter carried Seabee McMullen from McMurdo's lone one-room hospital to the airfield, four miles away.

At once, the Hercules took flight, its injured passenger safely aboard, doubtless unaware that he had been the object of what was probably the greatest medical rescue in recent years. In the hospital at Christchurch, surgeons decided against operating on McMullen and expressed fears that the fall back at McMurdo may leave him paralyzed for life.



# \$1.6 Billion OK'd for Military Projects

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### Funds for Bay Bases Included

Original Measure  
Had \$31.7 Million  
For Installations

The U.S. Senate today approved a \$1.6 billion money bill to finance new military construction.

It acted on a proposed bill reported out of the Senate Appropriations Committee yesterday. In the original measure, \$31,714,000 was pegged for construction in the Bay Area. Most of it was booked for improvements at the Oakland Naval Hospital and the Letterman Army Hospital in San Francisco.

The Senate measure now goes to a conference group of members of the Senate and House of Representatives. In the Senate, it cleared by a unanimous vote of the 64 members present. Quick adoption by the joint group is expected.

Missile sites and other military projects will be financed by the total appropriation. The end sum is about \$16 million less than funds approved by the House on May 26 and \$296 million less than the original outlay requested by President Lyndon B. Johnson.

The total is only one-third of the \$4.5 billion Congress appropriated for military construction last year.

The Senate unit approved \$13.9 million for the Oakland Hospital and \$14,005,000 for Letterman Hospital. The House previously approved \$13,705,000 for Letterman. The difference will be worked out by joint committee.

The Senate appropriations group also approved \$1,117,000 for the Oakland Army Terminal. The House had approved \$2,029,000. The Pentagon had requested a new building for a digital computer being moved from Fort Mason to Oakland, and headquarters for a joint Army-Navy terminal facility in Oakland.

Other Northern California items included: (House approved figure in parentheses); ARMY:

Fort Ord bachelor officers quarters, none (\$777,000); Presidio of San Francisco electric system and storm and sanitary sewers, \$283,000 (same); Presidio of Monterey audio visual building, \$134,000 (same); Two Rock Ranch Station, Sonoma County, officer and enlisted men quarters, \$1,014,000 (same); West Coast (communications) Receiving Station, Middletown, Lake County, \$76,000 (same).

NAVY:

Alameda Naval Air Station, \$406,000 (same); Naval Weapons Station, Concord, \$906,000 (\$720,000); Naval Receiving Station, Dixon, \$125,000 (same); Oakland Naval Supply Center, \$390,000 (same); Skaggs Island Navy Base, Napa County, \$1,490,000 (same).

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HAYWARD SAILOR ALBERT HETRICK CITED FOR SAVING A LIFE  
Capt. S. L. Arje presents Navy-Marine Corps Medal to corpsman

### Eastbay Navy Man Awarded Hero's Medal

Albert M. Hetrick, a Hospital Corpsman Second Class attending the Navy's Preventive Medicine Technician School at the Oakland Naval Hospital, has been awarded the Navy-Marine Corps Medal for heroic action.

The accompanying citation, signed by Secty. of the Navy Paul Nitze, tells how Hetrick dove into the water from the Coronado-San Diego ferry on Nov. 4, 1963, to save a sailor who had fallen overboard from drowning.

Hetrick, a resident of 696 Bartlett Ave., Hayward, with his wife, Susan, and three children, was presented the medal and citation by Capt. S. L. Arje, executive officer of the hospital.

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Your  
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Committee Comments:

The modern physician's view of himself in relation to his fellow men seldom conforms to the wistful public image of the selfless and devoted old-fashioned doctor. For the first time in the history of medicine, society allows us wide discretion in the matter of public service.

The men named below have chosen to move toward service — to their own satisfaction and the benefit of our specialty. Do you know of others? Please call them to our attention?

**Donald R. Buechel** of Oakland, for his continued efforts, now beginning to show success, to persuade the Navy to offer part time training to physicians on active duty; to help fill the great need of the service for more anesthetists, and to relieve nurse anesthetists for other duties.

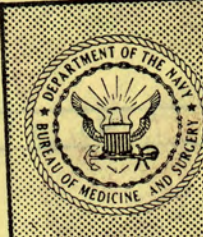
**Robert W. Churchill** of Santa Rosa, currently President of the Sonoma County Medical Society. Bob has been an ardent advocate of anesthesia's closer involvement in broad areas of medicine.

**Stuart C. Cullen** of San Francisco, for his many noted accomplishments for anesthesia, and his appointment to the position of Associate Dean of the U.C. School of Medicine at San Francisco.

**Ernest F. Gianotti** of San Francisco, for his activity in the local and state anesthesia organizations, and his participation on the most recent voyage of the HOPE.

**Ernest P. Guy** of San Francisco, for his year as Chief of Anesthesia at the School of Medicine of the American University of Beirut; for actively speaking as a representative of anesthesia. On 12 Nov 64, 12:30 P.M., Dr. Guy will talk, on the U.C. Extension's Thursday Noon Conference series, on the subject "Respiratory Acidosis." Bay Area listeners, attention!

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### New Cobalt 60 Unit at Oak Knoll

A new Cobalt 60 Therapy Unit was dedicated at U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, on 22 June 1964 by RADM Edward C. Kenney, Surgeon General of the Navy. The new unit, which Admiral Kenney was instrumental in obtaining for the hospital, is part of the gradual modernization of the hospital's Radiology Service. It is the only cobalt unit in use among military installations in the area and will be available for treatment of personnel of all branches of the armed services and their dependents.

With the opening of the new unit, Oak Knoll offers high energy radiation therapy for cancer patients. The gamma rays given off by radioactive cobalt are used in the treatment of deep-seated malignant tumors. The rays come from a circular piece of cobalt less than an inch in diameter, which has been made radioactive in an atomic pile and is now giving off powerful rays as it decays. The control panel operator opens a shutter to release rays "aimed" at the tumor.

Gamma rays are less dangerous to normal tissues in the tumor area, and higher radiation levels can be obtained within the tumor than with the conventional x-ray unit. Another advantage is that fewer side effects to the patient result from cobalt therapy than from treatment by conventional units.

In recent years Oak Knoll patients have received high energy radiation therapy through arrangements with Peralta Hospital, Oakland.

The cobalt unit is housed in a windowless concrete room whose thinnest part is 8-inch thick concrete reinforced with steel. In its thickest part the walls are 30 inches to insure radiation safety of the surrounding area. In a small outer room, the doctor and a qualified x-ray technician manipulate the control panel and watch the patient through closed circuit television and converse with him via a sensitive intercom system. —PIO, USNH, Oakland, Calif.

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**DR. J. M. COPPOLETTA ENJOYS PAINTING AFTER NAVY MEDICAL CAREER**  
He's back in college seeking a fourth degree in fine arts

## RX For Retirement, Plan New Career

By JERRY MARTIN  
Dr. Joseph M. Coppoletta is a former Navy physician who heeded his own prescription on how to successfully adapt to retirement.

His formula: start thinking about what you plan to do five or six years before you actually quit work.

"This gives you plenty of time to prepare yourself intelligently and psychologically and to explore all the possibilities of a second career," he says. "Or at least, to decide how you will remain active."

That's what he did. Although he has three degrees, the Harvard-trained doctor is back in school — seeking another degree in fine arts at the California College of Arts and Crafts while pursuing a lifelong interest in painting.

**SEEKS ART CAREER**  
He's even thinking of embarking on a career in commercial art when he completes his studies in about three years, even though he'll be past 60.

Dr. Coppoletta, who lives at

121 Hillside Ave. in Piedmont, said he first began thinking seriously about what he would do in retirement one summer day in 1957 in Naples, Italy. At the time, he was winding up a tour of duty as preventive medicine officer for the U.S. Navy's Sixth Fleet and had to decide what to do with his personal office medical equipment. His so-

### Last of a Series

lution: he donated it to an orphanage near Naples for use in a medical infirmary.

"Although I practiced medicine and surgery for 11 years and enjoyed my Navy years, I looked forward to an exciting second career that would combine my interests in writing, art and medicine," he said.

### LAST ASSIGNMENT

After leaving Naples, he spent three years as chief of preventive medicine at Oakland Naval Hospital and wound up his 21-year Navy career as commander of a Naval medical research unit at the University of Cali-

fornia. He retired as a Navy Captain in April, 1963.

"Two months after retirement, my wife and I traveled for 2½ months to Hong Kong and the Far East," Dr. Coppoletta recalls. "During this trip, my interest in art and ancient culture was revived and when we returned, I was determined to study art seriously."

Although the only formal instruction he had ever had was a three-week course in New York when he was a teenager, Dr. Coppoletta had done some amateur sketching and painting as a hobby during his Navy career.

### ENOUGH FOR EXHIBIT

Since enrolling at the California College of Arts and Crafts, he has turned out enough paintings, sketches and watercolors for a one-man show.

How does a former Navy captain get along with students still in their teens?

"They took me right into the fold," says Dr. Coppoletta. "It took them a long time to learn that I was a physician and had been in the Navy." When his secret leaked out, he sternly warned against any formalities.

"I insisted that everyone call me Jay," he says.

He is thoroughly enjoying his classes and is an interested participant in campus bull sessions.

### ENJOYS NEW LIFE

"To me, it is an entirely different way of life," he says. "I'm doing something I enjoy and for which I have some talent. And for the first time in my life, I enjoy the luxury of time."

He concedes that art is not for everyone who retires. But he adds: "Our local high schools and colleges offer adult education and extension courses in many subjects, and persons on a limited budget can explore their interests if they will only seek out the opportunities."

One field where he feels a retired person can take part and provide useful service is in community and civic affairs.

### RAN FOR OFFICE

Because of a vital interest in education, he ran for the Piedmont Board of Education (unsuccessfully) last February. "But I did discover that I had 500 friends in Piedmont who voted for me." He has been urged to make another race in 1966 and says: "I may do just that."

As a physician, he agrees with many colleagues that retired people need not "withdraw from society and live a vacuum-like existence."

"The poet, Robert Browning summed it up well," he says, "when he wrote:

"Grow Old with me!  
The Best is Yet to Be."

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### Red Cross Calls For Grey Ladies

The Oakland Chapter of the American Red Cross has issued its annual appeal for Grey Lady volunteers to serve for the coming year at Oakland Naval Hospital, according to Mrs. Lee Waybright, chairman of Grey Lady services for the chapter.

Special classes and clinics will be conducted for all volunteers. Interested persons should contact the Red Cross office at 2111 E. 14th St. Interviews will be conducted until Sept. 22.

2 Oakland Tribune Sun., Sept. 6, 1964

## Horse Surgery Aids Emphysema Fight

Open-chest surgery on horses now being performed by a team of doctors working at the University of California's Davis Veterinary Medicine Center may provide a major breakthrough in the battle against emphysema, a killer disease that attacks the lungs.

There was cautious optimism Friday as the group of veterinary and medical doctors completed the 73rd in a series of chest operations on horses—the only animal other than man that develops the

fatal disease.

The guarded elation is because doctors at last appear to have produced the disease artificially in the lungs of horses—the first step in learning its cause.

Chronic pulmonary emphysema is an ailment little known to the general public, but it now is believed to be the biggest single cause of all chest disease. It is England's leading illness and is blamed for more loss of working days in the United States than any other disease. Victims suffer

from hacking coughs, shortness of breath and eventually become totally disabled as lungs virtually disappear. Doctors describe it as a "progressive killer."

The cause is unknown, although smog is one theory. The Davis research project began seven years ago when doctors at Oakland Naval Hospital, concerned by the heavy emphysema rate among young sailors, joined with the University of California veterinarians who were doing research on horses.

If there were leaders, they were Adm. R. O. Canada, then at Oakland Naval Hospital and now commanding officer at U.S. Naval Hospital in Bethesda, Md., and Dr. Walter Tyler at the Davis campus. However, teamwork has been the moving force of the project.

For some time doctors, who still donate their time, worked entirely without funds, borrowing equipment as they could and bringing along their own instruments.

Aid now is being provided by the National Institute of Health. A major problem in the experimental surgery was the physical size of horses and the problem of providing respiration when the chest cavity was opened. To keep horses breathing during operations, the research team constructed a respirator with seven times the capacity of ones used for humans during chest surgery.

It is the only one in existence. For the past five years, surgery has been used in an attempt to create the disease artificially, as doctors and surgeons from the navy, private practice and the Davis campus volunteered services at the operations which are held every other Friday during most of the year.

Early attempts to induce emphysema by injecting a chemical directly into the bronchial ar-

tery, which provides nourishment to lungs, produced many of the characteristics of the disease, but many of the horses died from infections and results were not conclusive.

Recently, doctors learned that by injecting tiny spheres of plastic into the same artery, resulting blockage in the lungs' blood vessels creates emphysema artificially.

This means was used Friday in the first operation of the fall research program.

Using procedure identical to that used in human chest surgery, doctors cut a large incision in the right side of horse No. 73's chest, removed a portion of one lung for a biopsy but emphysema did not exist

naturally, then moved deeper to work on the tiny bronchial artery alongside the heart.

They use the designation No. 73 rather than a normal pet name so as not to become too attached to the animal.

They dissected the bronchial artery, inserted a small plastic tube and injected the plastic spheres which had been placed in a pint of the horse's own plasma earlier.

Doctors work in teams during surgery, which requires almost four hours. Controls are strict safeguards against contamination are rigid and the horse remains under an anesthetic throughout the operation.

When delicate details are complete, the horse's chest is closed and he is taken to a recovery stall where he normally will regain his feet within an hour.

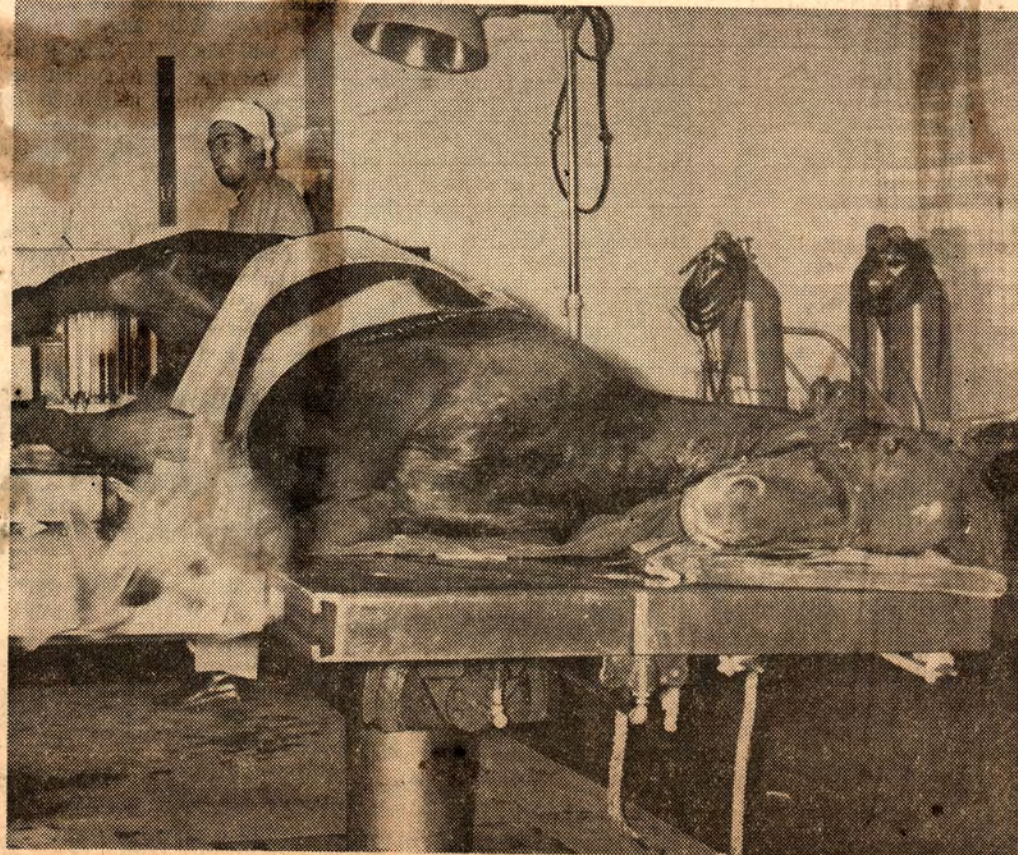
After the spheres are injected, horses are checked regularly, then at scheduled intervals are sacrificed and autopsies performed to check the disease's progress.

Upon these autopsies depends the success of the project. Results are expected in 18 to 20 months.

If the disease remains static, doctors will have to change their approach. If, instead, as they expect, it grows as if contracted naturally, the group is well on its way to stopping the killer illness.



Doctors study lung disease in open-chest surgery on a horse at Davis



**RESTLESS HORSE THRESHES ITS LEGS IN OPERATING ROOM AT DAVIS**  
Surgeons hope to find an answer to widespread lung disease



# Experiments on Horses Yield Clues to Emphysema

By Beverly Orndorff  
Times-Dispatch Science Writer

A condition like emphysema—one of the top, serious respiratory diseases—is being produced experimentally in horses to provide possible clues to the causes of this yet little-understood disease, a medical researcher reported here yesterday.

But, although researchers know how to produce changes in the lungs like those produced by emphysema, this does not mean that they understand all of the causes of the disease, the doctor said.

The physician is Captain R. O. Canada, commanding officer of the United States Naval Hospital at Bethesda, Md. He addressed a medical physiology seminar at the Medical College of Virginia yesterday afternoon.

## Ruptures Air Sacs

There appear to be three forms of emphysema—a disease characterized generally by ruptures of the lung's tiny air sacs—a loss of elasticity and an over-inflation of the lungs.

One form called "bulbous emphysema," is seemingly caused by interference of the oxygen, or nutrient, supplies to the lungs, Capt. Canada said.

These supplies are carried by the bronchial arteries.

The horse was chosen as the experimental animal in which to confirm this, Capt. Canada said, because the bronchial artery anatomy of the horse resembles that of man more closely than does the bronchial artery anatomy of any other animal.

Also, the horse is the only animal that spontaneously develops emphysema, Capt. Canada quoted veterinarians as saying.

**Experimentally Induced**  
Essentially, obstructions to the lung's nutrient supply are introduced experimentally in the horse with the use of a drug, Capt. Canada explained. The changes that result in the lung, he said, are "indistinguishable" from bulbous emphysema. But these changes are not produced every time, and "we do not know why they aren't," he said.

And, he further emphasized, "we don't think that this is the cause of emphysema. But, we have seen it (the experimentally produced emphysema) enough times to believe that this may be one factor that may be important in the production of emphysema."

Other factors in the disease's causes, he added, are believed to be chronic irritation of lung tissue by such things as noxious fumes and cigaret smoke, and the destruction of tissue by certain substances that the body produces.

## Factors Investigated

These other factors are being investigated by Capt. Canada's group at present, he said.

The research is being carried out by medical scientists at the Oakland, Calif., naval hospital, in co-operation with veterinarians at a California veterinary school.

Capt. Canada initiated the research in emphysema when he became chief of medicine at the Oakland hospital, and the research has been continuing since 1955.

"The first phase of the research, he told MCV physicians yesterday, was concerned with identifying the different types of emphysema in human patients.



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### OAK KNOLL PROVIDES PEDIATRIC TRAINING PROGRAM FOR CIVILIAN NURSING STUDENTS

CDR Delmer J. Pascoe, Chief of Pediatrics at U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, addressed Oakland City College nursing students at their recent graduation. "The Challenge of Nursing Today" was his subject.

Under Doctor Pascoe's leadership and that of former Oak Knoll Chief Nurse, CDR Ruth M. Cohen, Oak Knoll provided practical experience in pediatric nursing for the Oakland City College nursing students during the past year. The young ladies, coming in small groups, worked on the ward and in the Pediatric Clinic, where they gained knowledge of procedures required for office nursing.

The affiliation will continue during the coming year under the guidance of CDR Veronica Bulshefski, Chief Nurse; Mrs. Margaret Gingrich, Chairman of the Department of Professional Nursing at the college; and Doctor Pascoe.—Submitted by RADM Cecil L. Andrews MC USN, Commanding Officer, USNH, Oakland, California.

# World of Women

Oakland Tribune Wed., Sept. 9, 1964







CAPT R. O. Canada, Commanding Officer, Naval Hospital was recently selected to be promoted to the rank of Rear Admiral.

### CAPT R. O. Canada Selected For Admiral

Captain R. O. Canada, MC, Commanding Officer, Naval Hospital, Bethesda, was one among four distinguished Medical Department doctors selected for promotion to the rank of Rear Admiral in the near future. The nomination was made by a selection board and approved by the Secretary of the Navy and the President of the United States. Other officers named for the honor were Captains H.H. Eighmy, J. L. Yon and H. D. Warden.

Captain Canada has commanded the Naval Hospital since Feb. 1962 when he relieved RADM R. B. Brown (then Captain) who assumed the reigns of the NNMCC. Comcomitant with the post, Captain Canada also became the Deputy Commanding Officer of the Medical Center, a post which ranked him as second officer of the Center. In addition, he has several times assumed the task of Acting Commanding Officer of the Center upon the absence of the Admiral. Previous to this command assignment, he served as Commanding Officer, USNH, Jacksonville, Fla.

A Virginian by birth, Robert O. Canada, Jr., received the degrees of Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Medicine from the University of Virginia. He was commissioned a LTJG in the Medical Corps of the U.S. Navy on July 3, 1938.

While serving aboard the USS Salinas, AO-19, just before the outbreak of WWII, the ship was torpedoed off Iceland by a German submarine. The doctor also served aboard the USS Pasadena which operated with the Third and Fifth Fleets, taking part in many of the

Pacific engagements. The ship was in the Tokyo Bay Area during the Japanese surrender and subsequent occupation of Japan.

Dr. Canada first reported to the Naval Hospital here in Aug. 1950. His assignment at that time was as Assistant Chief of Medicine and Head of the Chest Disease Section. He also served as Chief of Medicine, U.S. Naval Hospital, Bethesda, from Feb. 1959 to June 1961, previous to assignment in Command at USNH Jacksonville.

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### Bridge Racer's Shaky Past

By Charles Raudebaugh

Startled investigators for the California Highway Patrol found yesterday that Kenneth M. New, 39—who was playing race driver when he ran down and killed a worker on the Golden Gate Bridge Monday—had been under prolonged treatment for schizophrenia.

Tom Bright, director of the State Department of Motor Vehicles, said he would review the department's practices in issuing licenses to mentally ill persons.

A Veterans Administration psychiatrist, Dr. Christine Miller, had informed a Department hearing examiner in February that she was

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## Schedule of Future Regional Meetings

<i>Territory</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Governor(s)</i>
Kentucky-Tennessee	Louisville, Ky.	9/12/64	Carl H. Fortune Harrison J. Shull
North Dakota	Bismarck	9/12/64	Lester E. Wold
Michigan	Gaylord	9/18-19/64	Noyes L. Avery, Jr.
South Dakota	Sioux Falls	9/25-26/64	Theodore H. Sattler
New England	Halifax, N. S.	10/2-3/64	
Connecticut			Wilson Fitch Smith
Maine			Elton R. Blaisdell
Massachusetts			John R. Graham
New Hampshire			Jarrett H. Folley
Rhode Island			Irving A. Beck
Vermont			Elbridge E. Johnston
Atlantic Provinces			Robert C. Dickson
Quebec			W. H. Philip Hill, Jr.
Arkansas-Oklahoma	Hot Springs, Ark.	10/3/64	Jerome S. Levy William W. Rucks
District of Columbia-Maryland	Washington, D. C.	10/3/64	Thomas W. Mattingly Samuel P. Asper
Southeastern	Charleston, S. C.	10/16-17/64	
Alabama			Walter B. Frommeyer, Jr.
Florida			Karl B. Hanson, Sr.
Georgia			T. Sterling Claiborne
Louisiana			G. Gordon McHardy
Mississippi			William K. Purks
South Carolina			Orlando B. Mayer
Cuba			Jose J. Centurion (pro tem)
Missouri	St. Louis	10/17/64	Paul O. Hagemann
Delaware	Wilmington	10/24/64	Ward W. Briggs
Upstate New York-Ontario	Buffalo, N. Y.	10/30/64	Victor W. Logan O. Harold Warwick
New Jersey	New Brunswick	11/4/64	LeRoy W. Black
Eastern Pennsylvania	Buck Hill Falls	11/6-8/64	Truman G. Schnabel, Jr.
Montana-Wyoming	Billings, Mont.	11/14/64	John A. Layne
Arizona	Phoenix	12/5/64	Hayes W. Caldwell
Texas	Dallas	12/13/64	Alfred W. Harris Hatch W. Cummings, Jr.
Downstate New York, I & II	New York City	1/20-21/65	William J. Grace Victor Grover
Ohio-Western Pennsylvania- West Virginia	Cincinnati, Ohio	1/22-23/65	Richard W. Vilter William M. Cooper Robert U. Drinkard, Jr.
Colorado	Denver	1/22-23/65	Charley J. Smyth
Prairie Provinces	Banff, Alta.	2/5-6/65	
Manitoba			
Saskatchewan			Francis A. L. Mathewson
Alberta			Stephen B. Thorson
Nebraska	Omaha	2/6/65	Henry J. Lehnhoff, Jr.
Pacific Northwest	Seattle, Wash.	2/19/65	
British Columbia			Russell A. Palmer
Idaho			Paul F. Miner
Oregon			Daniel H. Labby
Washington & Alaska			James W. Haviland
Kansas	Topeka	2/19/65	Sloan J. Wilson
Southern California-Northern California-Nevada	Palm Springs, Calif.	2/19-21/65	W. Philip Corr, Sr. Roberto F. Escamilla
Virginia	Williamsburg	2/20/65	Kinloch Nelson



**Fourth Far East Session of the American College of Physicians,  
May 18-20, 1964, a Tri-Service (Army, Navy, Air Force)  
Venture, U. S. Naval Hospital, Yokosuka, Japan**

More than 400 military and civilian medical experts climaxed a three-day conference at the U. S. Naval Hospital in Yokosuka, Japan, May 18-20, 1964. The group, consisting of eminent Japanese physicians, educators and scientists as well as American military and civilian doctors, was gathered at Yokosuka for the Fourth Annual Session of the American College of Physicians, Far East Region.

The delegates were welcomed to the conference by Captain George M. Davis, Commanding Officer of the Yokosuka Naval Hospital. Brief addresses of welcome at the opening day ceremony also included those by Rear Admiral Walter H. Price, Commander U. S. Naval Forces, Japan; Rear Admiral J. L. Holland, Commander-in-Chief, Pacific Fleet, Medical Officer, and Dr. Edward C. Rosenow, Jr., Executive Director of the American College of Physicians.

The three-day conference included papers presented by men in military service and by eminent Japanese physicians. Several papers deserve special comment. Dr. Eitaka Tsuboi, of the National Cancer Center Hospital in Tokyo, described a new technique he has developed for getting biopsies through the bronchoscope and which is helpful even in getting biopsies of upper lobe lesions. Another paper by Dr. Norio Fujiki, Chief, Division of Hema-

tology and Genetics, Department of Medicine, Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine, concerned a genetic survey in an isolated village in Western Japan, which has a very high incidence of first cousin marriages. This apparently results in an increased incidence of certain types of hematologic disorders. Major Murray Spotnitz, MC, USA, Chief, Pulmonary Research Laboratory, U. S. Army Medical Command, Japan, reported on research and investigation into the Tokyo-Yokohama asthma problem. It was most interesting to have Hurley L. Motley, F.A.C.P., Professor of Medicine and Director, Cardiorespiratory Laboratory of the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, an old friend and schoolmate from Southern California, on the program, who spoke on some of the physical aspects of pulmonary disease. David P. Barr, M.A.C.P., Visiting Professor of Medicine, National Defense Medical Center, Taipei, presented a paper on cirrhosis and hepatoma in the Chinese. Dr. Barr, a former President of the College, 1946-47, is making medical history, though retired, in this position in Taipei.

A featured speaker at one of the Luncheons was a Mr. Eunson, News Bureau Chief, who spoke on "News in the Far East."



Site of meeting.



Captain R. E. Faucett, Chairman, Program Committee, and his three secretaries.





Edward C. Rosenow, Jr., Executive Director of the American College of Physicians, addresses delegates during opening day ceremonies. Seated, left to right: George M. Davis, Commanding Officer of the Yokosuka Naval Hospital and General Chairman for this year's session; Lt. Comdr. K. L. Ebb, Chaplains Corps; Rear Adm. Walter H. Price, Commander U. S. Naval Forces, Japan, and Rear Adm. J. L. Holland, Commander-in-Chief, Pacific Fleet, Medical Officer and representative of the Surgeon General, U. S. Navy.

Highlighting the conference was an address by Paul Dudley White, M.A.C.P., Clinical Professor Emeritus of Medicine at Harvard Medical School, Boston, who spoke at the banquet on the second day of the meeting. Dr. White was in his usual fine form and is certainly the dean of all cardiologists.

Edward C. Rosenow, Jr., F.A.C.P., Executive Director of the College, described the various activities and responsibilities of the College at the final luncheon. Another guest speaker for the session was The Honorable John K. Emmerson, Minister, Deputy Chief of Mission, American Embassy, Tokyo.

Following the meeting the Executive Director was the guest of Dr. Masuda and Dr. Fujiki of the Department of Medicine of the Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine, who arranged for Dr. Rosenow to stay at a Japanese

Inn and did everything possible to make his visit a memorable one. Conferences and rounds at the hospitals, combined with sightseeing and several interesting Japanese dinners, created a most friendly atmosphere.

One item worth mentioning is the great contribution the three military services are making to graduate education. Japan is still somewhat under the influence of the German "Herr Professor" system of education. There are practically no internships available to Japanese medical students which feature the type of bedside training offered in the United States. The three military hospitals, however, have set up a very fine, high quality internship at Yokosuka, Tachikawa and Zama. After a year in one of these internships almost any of these young men would be able to come to the United States and continue residency training.



Left to right: Capt. R. E. Faucett, MC, USN, Chief of Medicine, U. S. Naval Hospital, Yokosuka; Mrs. Edwin M. Duval, Long Beach, Calif.; N. Kimura; P. Lukl, President, European Cardiology Society, Czechoslovakia; Edward C. Rosenow, Jr., Executive Director, American College of Physicians; T. Wada, and N. Ninomiya.



## A.C.P. Postgraduate Courses, 1964-65

The following courses have been arranged through the generous cooperation of the directors and the institutions involved. Tuition fee: Members, \$60.00; Nonmembers, \$100.00. Registration forms and requests for information should be directed to: Edward C. Rosenow, Jr., M.D., Executive Director, American College of Physicians, 4200 Pine Street, Philadelphia, Pa., 19104.

### Course No. 1, *Current Clinical and Laboratory Investigations in the Rheumatic Diseases*, National Institutes of Health Clinical Center, Bethesda, Md.; Joseph J. Bunim, M.D., F.A.C.P., Director; September 21-25, 1964; Minimal Registration, 30; Maximal Registration, 75.



New concepts in immunology, genetics and other scientific disciplines have been evolving rapidly in recent years, and the impact has been felt in most areas of clinical and laboratory medicine. Such changes have been especially apparent to those interested in the rheumatic diseases.

This course has been designed with the view of highlighting for the interested physician those aspects of fundamental, scientific investigations which bear on clinical problems in rheumatology. This will be accomplished through a series of seminars covering topics in immunology and genetics, followed by panel discussions which will emphasize clinical applications. Clinical seminars will include consideration of new advances in the diagnosis and treatment of gout and systemic lupus erythematosus. The evaluation of antirheumatic drugs will be discussed with emphasis on design of study, methods, and current Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations.

A feature of the course will be the availability of optional laboratory visits for demonstrations of important, new techniques such as immunofluorescence, immunoelectrophoresis, determination of Gm groups, and biomechanics

which have contributed greatly to knowledge of rheumatic disease processes. This personal, brief acquaintance with such laboratory tools should enhance the registrant's perspective in regard to the basis for current clinical concepts.

### Course No. 2, *Basic Mechanisms in Internal Medicine*, University of Southern California School of Medicine, Los Angeles, Calif.; Thomas H. Brem, M.D., F.A.C.P., and Phil R. Manning, M.D., F.A.C.P., Co-Directors; October 5-7, 1964; Minimal Registration, 50; Maximal Registration, 130.



This course will emphasize the basic biochemical and physiological mechanisms underlying a wide variety of pathological states from the different specialties of internal medicine. Illustrative case material will be presented.

### Course No. 3, *The Physiological Basis of Internal Medicine*, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, N. C.; Eugene A. Stead, Jr., M.D., F.A.C.P., Director; Elbert L. Persons, M.D., F.A.C.P., Co-Director; October 12-16, 1964; Minimal Registration, 50; Maximal Registration, 85.



# YOUR KIT OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE UNITED BAY AREA CRUSADE'S

1965 CAMPAIGN  
SEPT. 27 - OCT. 15

## Full Speed Ahead for United Crusade

With the United Crusade, the Bay Area's largest and most active volunteer organization, is now in full swing. The organization is a non-profit, non-sectarian, and non-political organization that is dedicated to the relief of suffering and the promotion of peace and understanding among all people.

## Knoll Tops \$6300 in UBAC Drive

HERBIE NOW MUCH MORE ACTIVE IN THE CRUSADE. The United Crusade, a non-profit, non-sectarian, and non-political organization, is now in full swing. The organization is dedicated to the relief of suffering and the promotion of peace and understanding among all people.

## EDITORIAL

The United Crusade with many school officials serving in responsible positions, going back to the early colonial days, has been a constant force in the community. It is the duty of each of us to do the most good we can for the most needy.

## The OAK LEAF BULLETIN

UNITED STATES NAVAL HOSPITAL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA  
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UBAC Helps Save A Life

Oak Knoll Again Goes Over Top: Contributions to UBAC Exceed \$6300. The United Crusade, a non-profit, non-sectarian, and non-political organization, is now in full swing. The organization is dedicated to the relief of suffering and the promotion of peace and understanding among all people.



CATE OR MARY - from left to right, Mrs. Allen McGinnis, daughter of Knoll, and a Red Cross volunteer from Oak Knoll.

## Shell's United Crusade

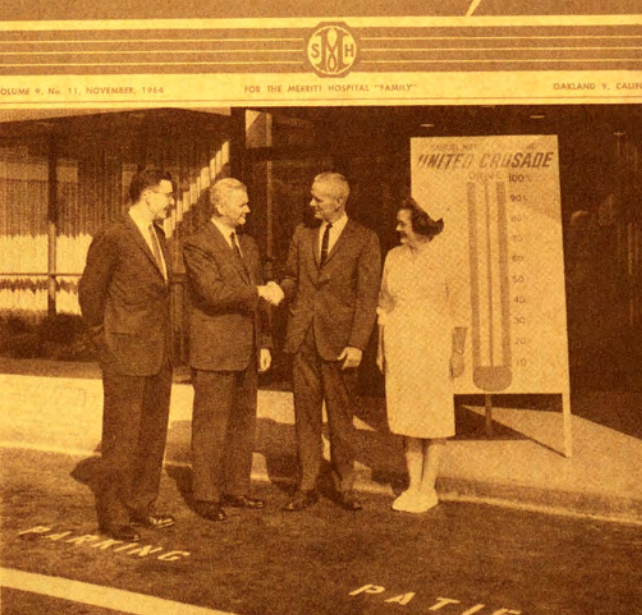
Somebody pays when you don't give. The United Crusade, a non-profit, non-sectarian, and non-political organization, is now in full swing. The organization is dedicated to the relief of suffering and the promotion of peace and understanding among all people.



A. J. Carter, Jr. and N. F. Kelly of Shell Chemical Company's Red Cross Unit are seen from their headquarters in the United Crusade campaign. They are seen from their headquarters in the United Crusade campaign.

NEW SHELL MOTORLAB PLAN TOLD. The United Crusade, a non-profit, non-sectarian, and non-political organization, is now in full swing. The organization is dedicated to the relief of suffering and the promotion of peace and understanding among all people.

## Merritt Monogram



John Sigler, Alameda County's Chairman of the United Crusade, is shown above (center) during his recent visit to Merritt Hospital. He is shown above (center) during his recent visit to Merritt Hospital.

Merritt Hospital Joins Hall of Fame. Merritt Hospital, a non-profit, non-sectarian, and non-political organization, is now in full swing. The organization is dedicated to the relief of suffering and the promotion of peace and understanding among all people.

## Friden Schedules Crusade Campaign September 29-30

The 1964 Friden employee United Crusade campaign will be held on September 29-30. The campaign is a non-profit, non-sectarian, and non-political organization, is now in full swing. The organization is dedicated to the relief of suffering and the promotion of peace and understanding among all people.

Your Active Crusade Support Assures a Successful Campaign

PAGE 4 SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE, Monday, October 5, 1964

## New Staff at San Quentin



Three new staff members assumed their duties at San Quentin Prison last week, following a personnel shuffle by the State Department of Corrections. They are, left to right, James Park, 42, associate warden in charge of administration; Dr. Philip McNamara, 58, chief medical officer; and Raymond Wham, 54, associate warden in charge of security. They were greeted outside the prison by Warden Lawrence E. Wilson (right). Park formerly was a superintendent at the Correctional Training Facility at Soledad, and Wham was a superintendent at the California Men's Colony in San Luis Obispo. Dr. McNamara recently retired from the U. S. Navy.

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U. S. NAS, ALAMEDA, CALIF.

## Navy Wives Meet; Plan Convention

Alameda NWCA No. 108 will hold its regular business meeting on Tuesday, October 6, 1964 at 7:30 p.m. in Bldg. 135, N.A.S. Under discussion will be the part the club will play in the forthcoming national convention to be held here from October 11 through October 17, 1964. Further information will be furnished the members on a fund set up to aid the Prosthesis Clinic at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, whereby those people in need of financial help for braces, splints, etc. may apply for help. Membership in the group is open to wives of enlisted Navy, Marine and Coast Guard personnel. Anyone desiring transportation or babysitting service should call Mrs. Joan MacPhee at 521-0332 for further information or contact the base chaplain.

## Navy Man Injured in 100-Foot Fall

RICHMOND — John R. Scott, 19, a navy radar technician, is in critical condition today after plunging 100 feet from a rope he was using to climb away from his drydocked ship. Police said Scott was climbing toward a scaffold from his ship, the USS Intrepid, at the Willamette Iron and Steel Co. shipyard, when he lost his hold and fell. Officers said Scott was trying to leave the ship without authority. Two girls were in a car outside the shipyard waiting for him, police said. The young sailor is in Oakland Naval Hospital with a fractured skull and extensive injuries, hospital authorities said.



VETERANS' CHRISTMAS

Hospitals Seek \$17,000



THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS — Mary Valle, secretary-treasurer of the Veterans Hospitals' Christmas committee, collects early donation to the group's

annual fund drive from representatives of veterans and labor groups at an organizational meeting held this week.

Brighter Yule Is Goal of Bay Fund Drive

The 41st annual campaign for the Veterans Hospitals' Christmas fund has started with a 1964 goal of \$17,000.

At an organizational meeting this week, representatives of veterans, labor, fraternal, church and service groups met with drive committee president Bryant E. King and officers at the Oakland Moose Club.

Donations totaling \$425 were turned over to King at the session.

The public drive actually gets underway Nov. 11, Veterans Day, as in past years.

The donations are used to finance gifts, decorations and entertainment for some 1,200 hospitalized veterans and servicemen at the Oakland Naval Hospital, and the Veterans Administration Hospital, Livermore.

All services in the drive are donated and every penny collected goes toward making Christmas merrier for the patients.

The campaign has crossed its goal the past three years, resulting in a lowering of the goal. The goal was \$20,500 in 1962; \$18,000 last year.

The surplus enables the committee to make purchases in the off season at lower prices.

The annual drive dates from

1924 when it was found that a central agency was needed to coordinate the many and varied contributions and services being extended to the veterans hospitals by groups and individuals.

Mary Valle, secretary-treasurer of this year's committee, was a member of that first committee.

In addition to Miss Valle, King is assisted this year by a committee composed of Thomas Mullen and Allan Strutz, vice presidents, and Arthur C. Ames Jr., past president.

Re-elected to this year's board of directors were Felix Chialvo, John Groom, Paul Manolis, Joseph Tofanelli and Mrs. John Young.

Last year a total of \$20,376 was collected to brighten Christmas for over 1,500 patients.

Need Continues for Vets' Yule Funds

At Christmas, 1967, there will be a new \$14 million, nine-story U.S. Naval Hospital in Oakland, at the site of the present facility at Oak Knolls.

But the new hospital, as beneficial as it will be in terms of efficiency and ease of administration and maintenance, won't solve the basic problem of any hospital — the people confined inside.

Adm. Cecil L. Andrews made this point at the annual dinner the commanding officer of the hospital hosts for the Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee.

LAUDED COMMITTEE

Admiral Andrews lauded the committee and expressed gratitude to people throughout the Bay Area for their efforts on behalf of the hospital patients throughout the years.

The admiral spoke from experience and said he still recalls the drabness and the long days of the holiday season he spent in the hospital during his first year in the Navy.

A committee has worked for the past 40 years to minimize this drabness at Oakland's U.S. Naval Hospital, channeling the efforts of hundreds of volunteers into decoration of the wards, purchasing and wrapping gifts, providing entertainment and a visit from Santa Claus.

BRIGHTER HOLIDAYS

These volunteer services are backed by the contributions of thousands of others who set aside a few dollars each year to brighten the holidays for the hospitalized veterans and servicemen.

This year the committee set a goal of \$17,000 to bring Christmas to 1,200 patients in the Naval hospital and the Veterans Hospital at Livermore.

The latest contributors:

OAKLAND	
Anonymous	\$2.00
Lorrie E. Parish	1.00
Mrs. Nell Bailey	1.00
Mrs. A. Flores	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. V. McKay	1.00
Helen R. Jones	4.00
Mrs. Sophia Berner	1.00
Fritz A. Swanson	5.00
Amy A. Fuller	5.00
Mrs. Rose M. Gross	10.00
Oliver Corporation	15.00
Jas. H. Young	10.00
J. R. Fuller	10.00
Mrs. Earl E. Davis	1.00
Clara M. Thacker	2.00
Miss Eleanor F. McAllister	5.00
Miss Olive M. Dittell	1.00
Vera Cantando	1.00
Harold C. Moore	2.00
Mrs. C. Cooper	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Allaman	2.00
Lucy Waterman	1.00
Total to date	
\$7,227.89	

ALAMEDA	
Mrs. J. H. McPeak	5.00
Mrs. C. W. Hess	2.00
Chas. J. Richmond	5.00
Loneta M. Hollister	2.00
Anonymous	2.00
Mrs. Mary E. White	1.00
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Miss Isabelle Little	5.00
Murray E. Hannah	3.00
A. Nordstrand	1.00
Anne S. Jones	2.50
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Helen L. Hainline	3.00
E. L. Ralston, Lt. U.S. Navy, Ret.	5.00
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OTHER CITIES	
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Mary Combs, San Francisco	2.50
Mrs. Lloyd J. Steiger, Vallejo	2.00
Walter F. Hayes, Veterans Home	2.00
Total	\$472.50
Previously acknowledged	6,815.39
Total to date	
\$7,227.89	

Oakland Tribune Wed., Nov. 11, 1964



LEADER — Mrs. Richard W. Whitman, 27 Bowles Place, is the new unit chairman of Gray Ladies at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital for the American Red Cross, replacing Mrs. Otto Runge of Oakland.



LT. CMDR. A. C. ROLEN

Navy Doctor Gets Award For Paper

Lt. Cmdr. A. C. Rolan, an Oakland Naval Hospital physician, has won the first Kimbrough award for the best paper presented at an annual Armed Forces Obstetrics and Gynecology seminar held recently at Andrews Air Force Base Hospital in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Rolan served as a medical officer in Yokosuka, Japan, before reporting here in August, 1962. The award-winning doctor and his wife, Lou Ann, live at 2338 Bermuda Lane, Hayward. They have two children.

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The adventures of Lt. Donald R. Walk, MC, USN, center above, were the subject of the evening's program. Looking at slides from Lt. Walk's 18 months in Antarctica are ACCMA president Paul Cronenwett, M.D., Brandon Bassett, M.D., Rear Admiral C. L. Andrews, MC, USN, Commanding Officer of Oak Knoll, and Carl Goetsch, M.D. Harmon Rider, M.D. and Howard Jones, M.D., head up the patio chow line following the program.







HOSPITALMAN EUGENE HOEFTLING, LEFT, WITH AIRMAN BEN W. NAPIER  
Many hospitalized servicemen will have no one to help them celebrate Christmas

#### VET YULE FUND

### GI Faces Holiday in Hospital

Today is naval airman Ben Napier's 21st birthday.

It is also Thanksgiving, one of the two big feast days at service installations, so Ben will get a bonus.

Ben will have his meal served in bed — at Oakland's U.S. Navy Hospital where he is immobilized with a cast which runs up his left leg to the middle of his chest.

Ben, who was working in air control at a Naval Auxiliary Air Station at Fallon, Nevada, was a passenger in a military truck which overturned four months ago. He has been in the hospital since with a broken thigh and has two more months to go.

Ben was married three months before the accident. It helped a lot when his wife, Janey, came out and stayed in Oakland near the hospital where she could visit every day. But the expenses added up so Janey returned to her job in Chicago.

Ben has one more feast coming in the hospital, at Christmas, and with luck, Janey will be back out to spend the holiday with him.

There are a lot of Bens in the military hospitals, who for one reason or another, will not have any Janey's to celebrate with.

For 41 years the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee has worked in the veterans and military hospitals in Alameda County to brighten the season. This year the committee has a goal of \$17,000 to provide gifts, entertainment, and decorations to the hospitalized veterans and servicemen.

#### VET YULE FUND

### Paralyzed Seabee Faces Christmas in Hospital

In July just about everyone had heard of Seabee Bethel McMullen.

He was the subject of a classic military medical evacuation in late June when a naval plane penetrated the midwinter blackness of Antarctica to transport McMullen from McMurdo Sound to New Zealand. It was the first time a plane had braved the perpetual darkness and fierce winter to reach the base which is normally accessible only during the summer months.

The 39-year-old McMullen, fire chief at the Navy research facility, had suffered a 70-stitch head wound and a fractured spine in a one-floor fall to a concrete deck. Hundreds of persons were involved in the mercy mission which brought McMullen from the frozen wastes to the Bay Area where he could be treated.

Today McMullen is one of about 650 patients at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Oakland. He is permanently paralyzed from the waist down. After rehabilitation training he will join his wife and four children in Port Huene-me, from where he left for the Antarctic and where his wife is employed. He had many years experience as a carpenter and still feels he can turn his hand to cabinet-making.

Family man McMullen will spend this Christmas in a military hospital. It may be the naval hospital here, or the VA Hospital in Long Beach where he would be closer to his family.

It is to help such men as Bethel McMullen that the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee drive is conducted each year. This year the committee hopes to collect \$17,000 to provide gifts, decorations and entertainment to the men in U.S. Navy Hospital and the VA Hospital in Livermore.

The latest contributors:

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LaBarbera Produce Co.	5.00
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In memory of our son Dick Medeiros	2.00
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Mr. and Mrs. Chris C. Calsen	2.50
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Walter T. Piska	30.00
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Bessie E. Hinkler	5.00
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CASTRO VALLEY	25.00
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HAYWARD	10.00
Mrs. Lucy B. Sorresen	3.00
Marie B. Cadenhead	3.00
Eden Barracks No. 366	5.00
Veterans of World War I	5.00
SAN LEANDRO	5.00
Mrs. L. C. Harrington	3.00
Mrs. Georgia Montanari	3.00
Anna W. Gill	2.50
Zona L. Markus	10.00
Mrs. Eleanor C. Summers	5.00
Betty Wartelle	2.00
El Cereso Parlor No. 207	5.00
N.D.G.W.	2.00
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OTHER CITIES	
Mamie D. Oliveira, Fremont	2.00
Manuel T. Paves, Newark	2.50
Mrs. Sidney G. Strom, Piedmont	2.00
Mrs. Stanley G. Wright, San Francisco	5.00
Harry S. Maxwell, San Lorenzo	10.00
Mrs. Harriet P. Walk, Ventura	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Stahl, Walnut Grove	2.00
Total	\$ 457.00
Previously acknowledged	7,227.89
Total to date	\$7,684.89





THE WORLD IS STRAIGHT UP AND DOWN FOR SAILOR SERGIO VALENTE. He is attended by Lt. Mary J. Leonard and Lt. R. A. Ambur at Naval Hospital.

## Sailor in Frame Will Have Christmas Brought to Him

While Sergio Valente was growing up in his native Philippines he had the one ambition of joining the U.S. Navy.

Today, immobilized in a Stryker frame at Oakland's U.S. Naval Hospital, Sergio, 23, still feels his goal was the right one. When he leaves the hospital, he will make the Navy a career.

Life in a Stryker frame is a world of ceilings and floors. Everything else is seen as reflection through a prism glass.

The Stryker frame — the same device used on U.S. Sen. Ted Kennedy — keeps the spine rigid by binding the hips to the bed surface with straps and clamping the head in a vise.

Sergio has spent six months in the frame. He has at least a couple of more to go.

### TWO OPERATIONS

His trouble began early this year aboard the carrier, USS Shangri-la, in the Mediterranean when he suffered a back strain lifting a heavy weight. An infection involving the vertebrae followed and prompted two operations.

In the course of the illness and recovery, Sergio has been in hospitals aboard ship, in Italy and Germany, McGuire AFB, N.J.; Fitzsimmons Army Hospital, Denver, Colo., and Travis AFB.

When Sergio is released from the hospital he will take a leave here. He wants to see what this area looks like horizontally.

For a while longer his world will be straight up and straight

down. He will continue to read, write, study grammar and engage in handicrafts, making wallets and purses. He will hear the sounds of Christmas but he will see it only through mirrors.

### NOT FORGOTTEN

There will be no relatives to visit Sergio at Christmas. His parents, three brothers and three sisters are all in the Philippines. But he won't be forgotten.

Some 1,200 veterans and servicemen in hospitals in Alameda County will have Christmas brought to them by volunteers working under the direction of the Veterans Hospitals' Christmas Committee. Every man will receive a gift, have his ward decorated and be entertained under the committee's annual program.

The program is made possible by contributions. The latest contributors:

OAKLAND	
United Electric Motor Co.	\$10.00
Russell R. Hiltner	20.00
Mrs. Edward M. Digard	10.00
Ray E. Warner	5.00
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Stuart R. Hickson	5.00
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Alfred U. George	10.00
Mrs. Helen Turner	1.00
Harold A. Colkins	1.00
Mrs. Martha Craib	1.00
Miss Lillian Touch	2.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$437.50</b>
Previously acknowledged	\$8,430.39
<b>Total to date</b>	<b>\$9,067.89</b>

### Library Club Whist

BYRON—A public whist party sponsored by the Byron Library Club will be held here at 2:15 p.m. Monday in the public library clubrooms.

## Bring a Smile to Vet Hospital Patient

Whatever 20-year-old Dan Carlson decides to do in life, he'll probably succeed.

Dan smiles easily now and there is cheerful determination in his voice. He fought his battle a year ago August and he lived.

He had just graduated from naval electricians school in San Diego when the accident happened. He was trapped in the flaming wreckage of a car, burning gasoline covered his entire left side, his hands, portions of his face and head.

Dan lost his left arm up to the elbow. The upper arm is a patchwork of scar tissue and skin grafts. Most of his right

hand is gone. There are bald patches on his head. He bears facial scars.

### LONG PROCESS

There is still a lot of hospital time ahead of Dan Carlson. The prosthetic device they fitted to the stump of his left arm six months ago met complications because the skin grafts were too tender; the skin has to toughen before he can wear it with comfort.

Reconstructive surgery has been tried on the right hand, an effort to remold the remainder of the palm into two thick fingers which will permit gripping; if it fails another prosthetic device will be necessary.

Dan looks beyond the surgery still ahead at Oakland's U.S.

Naval Hospital. He had pretty good grades when he graduated in 1962 from high school at Oregon City, Ore., and somewhere in the future there is college and a degree in business administration.

### GLOOMY PROSPECT

But this Christmas at least, Dan, like hundreds of other servicemen and veterans, will spend in a hospital in Alameda County. For 41 years the holiday season has been made a little pleasanter for these people by the efforts of the Veterans Hospital's Christmas Committee which distributes gifts, decorates the wards and arranges for entertainment.

This year the committee has a goal of \$17,000 to aid the veter-

ans and servicemen in the U.S. Naval Hospital and the Veterans Administration in Livermore.

### The latest contributors:

OAKLAND	
Robert M. Vallmer	\$5
Maddeline Nash	\$5
A. J. Tucker	\$5
V. K. Jones	\$5
Oakland Chapter, American Gold Star Mothers, Inc.	\$15
Mrs. Jeanne DeLair	\$1
Clara Green	\$5
Mrs. George McHugh	\$5
Mrs. Edgar Metter	\$1
Fern L. Rogers	\$15
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In memory of Clara E. Christensen	\$10
Sara I. Miller	\$5
Genrose G. Miller	\$5
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Glaziers and Glassworkers Local No. 149	\$20
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Mrs. Parepa K. Jester	\$1
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Anonymous	\$1
Charles Bork	\$5
In memory of Ernest Owen Hughes	\$10



DAN R. CARLSON PLAYS "SCRABBLE" Challenger is hospital aide Terry Burnette, left

### CASTRO VALLEY

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Laura A. Cline

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Holland

Mrs. Clarence V. Ore, Piedmont

Presidio Parlor No. 148, N.D.G.W.

San Francisco

Inogen Parlor No. 131, N.D.G.W.

Sierraville

F. D. Halbert, Villa Grande

**Total**

Previously acknowledged

**Total to date**

**\$416.50**

**\$8,213.89**

**\$8,630.39**

**Least Used**

The letter "z" is least used

in the English alphabet.

### VET YULE FUND

## Drive Halfway to Goal of \$17,000

The halfway mark in the Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee fund drive for \$17,000 was reached over the weekend, a pace slightly behind the past two years when the drive exceeded its goals.

Today members of various women's clubs and organizations will begin the task of wrapping some 1,200 gifts for veterans and servicemen in the U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, and the Veterans Administration Hospital, Livermore. Wrapping will continue all week at the Berkeley home of Mrs. A. Lee Oder, who has headed the gift committee for the past six years.

The gifts are just one facet of the program to bring Christmas a little closer to the hundreds of men in military hospitals in Alameda County, a program now in its 41st year.

Other volunteers will be engaged in making decorations and putting them up in the hospital wards. Other people arrange for entertainment.

The program is made possible each year through the generosity of persons living in the Northern California area and the work of hundreds of volunteers who provide their services under the direction of the Christmas Committee. The committee has no paid staff and every penny collected goes to benefit those in the hospitals.

### The latest contributors:

OAKLAND	
Fred C. Merkel	\$ 1.00
Mrs. Ruth Draper	1.00
Walter J. Fraser	4.00
Wm. Barrill	4.00
Dr. Edgar J. Hinkel	1.00
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Winifred R. Garley	1.00
Abello Lodge No. 84, F. & A. M.	5.00
Norwegian Ladies Relief Club	2.00
Jules A. Picardo	5.00
Grandmas Sewing Club	3.00
Mrs. Mary A. Smith	2.00
Jeanne Edwards	1.00
Dorothy Reed	10.00
Roman Spitzer	1.00
Paul and Marion Covel	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. Ivan E. Miller	1.00
M. Morrison	1.00
Madeline and Helen Pardee	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. Mackay	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Aaga	5.00
Gloria Wheatley	5.00
Oakland Printing Pressmen and Assistants Union No. 103	25.00
Elizabeth Williams	1.00
Milk Drivers and Dairy Employees Union, Local No. 50	50.00

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Charlotte Hugenin	5.00
Louise Andreucci	2.00
Alan Ward	5.00

### BERKELEY

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Elaine M. Bouton and	5.00
Shirley Serana	5.00
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Lowell Erickson	1.00
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Vera Peterson	1.00
Mattie Dumborn	1.00
Bina Gatter	12.00
Olivia Canine	1.00

### HAYWARD

Mrs. Core E. Stollenberg	1.00
Anon.	1.00
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Bayshore Gardens Nursery	5.00

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In memory of Jacob Reuss	5.00
Edward J. Sunokis	5.00

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James C. Davis	10.00
San Leandro Garden Club	5.00
John J. Louis	5.00
Joseph Thompson	1.00

### OTHER CITIES

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Post No. 3668, V. F. W., Groveland	10.00
Alfred H. Dana, Inverness	10.00
Newark American Legion Post No. 837, Newark	25.00
Maureen Institute No. 136, Y. L. I., Santa Clara	8.00
Golden Era Parlor No. 99, N. D. G. W., Sonoma	3.00
In memory of Darrell Walnut Creek	2.00
J. K. Dutre, Warm Springs	3.00
Total	7,881.85
Previously acknowledged	\$1,125.50
<b>Total to date</b>	<b>\$9,007.35</b>



SECRETARY MARY VALLE IS CIRCLED BY PAST DRIVE PRESIDENTS. From left are Bryant King, Arthur Daniels, Arthur Ames, and William Stephens



# Retiring Navy Nurse Commended For Service

By CYNTHIA

Lt. Cmdr. Dorothy S. Boatright, daughter of Frank Shaffer, 2621 Illinois Ave., retired March 31 after more than 20 years of active duty in the Navy Nurse Corps . . . for the

## Tea Table Chatter

past six years she had been officer in charge of the blood bank at U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, Calif.,

and for her outstanding service in that capacity she received a letter of appreciation, from her commanding officer . . . The letter spoke of Mrs. Boatright's efficiency in scheduling mobile blood unit trips to nearby naval installations to collect blood for treatment of the hospital's serious and critically ill patients and in maintaining a list of "walking donors" from the hospital staff, ready to respond immediately in case of need. It referred to her "insistence on sound technology" and of her "giving maximum at-

tention to the primary objective—a safe unit of blood, correctly labeled and cross-matched, going to the right patient in as expeditious fashion as is compatible with recipient safety" . . . Mrs. Boatright received her nurse's training at West Penn Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pa. Her husband, whom she met during a previous tour of duty at Oakland, is Harold M. Boatright, a retired Chief Warrant Officer in the Naval Supply Corps. Since his Navy retirement he has been employed at the University of California Radiation

Laboratory at Livermore, Calif. The two are currently in Orlando for an extended visit with Mrs. Boatright's father.



Lt. Cmdr. Dorothy S. Boatright received a letter of appreciation and a warm handshake from her commanding officer, R. Adm. C. L. Andrews when she retired from the Navy Nurse Corps recently. Looking on is her husband, Harold M. Boatright. See Tea Table Chatter for more details.

## MORE RESEARCH IS URGED IN HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION

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MEDICAL TRIBUNE

Monday, December 14, 1964

## Ectopic Endometrium Change Is Seen at a High Incidence

ARMED FORCES OB/GYN MEETING  
Transformation of Ectopic Endometrium.  
Rubella in Pregnancy.  
Obstetrics and Mental Development.

Medical Tribune—World Wide Report  
WASHINGTON, D.C. — Malignant transformation of ectopic endometrium probably occurs much more frequently than presently thought, and endometriosis should not be considered as an absolutely benign state, according to a report made here by two U.S. Navy physicians.

"Although our review of the literature revealed only 34 cases purporting to the transition of ectopic endometrium to malignant glandular or stromal tissue, one would suspect that this may conceivably be a function of nonawareness rather than an actual rarity of the entity," said Capt. Thomas B. Leberherz and Robert M. Dimmette, of the U. S. Naval Hospital, San Diego, Calif.

They made their report at the 13th annual Armed Forces Seminar on Obstetrics and Gynecology and the third annual meeting of the Armed Forces Chapter of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

"It has been our opinion for years that endometriosis is a benign metaplastic disease process associated with infertility and characterized by pain," said Dr. Leberherz. "Frequently, we have commiserated with our afflicted patients and informed them that 'no one had ever died of this condition but that many have wished they would.' Now we have cause to question these assurances."

According to Dr. Leberherz, it was after a patient had recently been referred at the San Diego hospital for management of a mixed ovarian malignancy developing

from a transformation in ectopic endometrium that their study of the incidence of cases of this disease was initiated.

Review of all protocols that contained the diagnosis of ovarian carcinoma from 1950 to 1964 at the U. S. Naval Hospitals in San Diego and Bethesda, Md., revealed that there had been 150 primary carcinomas of the ovary. Only one of these was designated as an adeno-acanthoma. Associated endometriosis was recorded in only three of the cases. However, a search of the California tumor registry for adeno-acanthoma of the ovary associated with endometriosis revealed seven cases.

The finding of these cases plus observations made by other investigators, Dr. Leberherz said, suggests that "the true incidence is certainly open to question, since heretofore we have not really considered this to be an actual possibility."

Dr. Leberherz concluded that "if our postulates are correct, there should certainly be more than one adeno-acanthoma in our 150 ovarian malignancies or the two reported in the entire Armed Forces Institute of Pathology coded ovarian tumors."

### Risk Decreases Progressively

► Review of 273 live births complicated by rubella in the first 12 weeks of gestation shows that the risk of fetal anomaly decreases progressively from the first week through the 12th week by which time the risk becomes minimal, according to a report made by Maj. Samuel J. Salloni, MC USA, 21st Evacuation Hospital (Europe).

"If rubella occurs in weeks one-four there is a 57 per cent chance of gross congenital anomaly if the infant is living at birth," he said. "This risk is approximately 26 per cent in weeks five-eight and 9 per cent in weeks nine-12. . . . Expressed



Award for best paper by a resident is given to Lt. Comdr. A. C. Rolan (right), U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, Calif., by Dr. Robert A. Kimbrough (center), Chicago, at Armed Forces Ob/Gyn meeting. Looking on is Col. William F. Peterson, Andrews USAF Hospital.

another way, if rubella occurs in gestational weeks one-eight, there is only a 36 per cent chance that a normal live-born infant will result from the pregnancy. In addition to this, there is probably a 1 to 2 per cent risk of mental deficiency in the remaining presumably normal children."

Study of 109 pregnancies complicated by rubella in weeks one-eight, he said, resulted in only 39 normal live births. There were 43 spontaneous abortions or stillbirths and 27 gross fetal anomalies. Of a total 273 cases of rubella observed in the first trimester, there were 57 grossly abnormal infants with typical rubella.

Dr. Salloni said that although no blanket recommendation for or against therapeutic abortion can be made or justified in such cases, "therapeutic abortion in weeks one-four would certainly seem to be a reasonable approach and the period might well be extended to weeks six or eight."

► Confirmation of previous findings by investigators that prematurity is a causal factor in mental retardation was reported by Lt. Cmdr. Istvan Nyirjesy, MC USN, U.S. Naval Hospital in Naples, Italy. He had observed the obstetric background of 670 school children who had been classified into four intelligence-quotient achievement groups. Among 43 handicapped children found in this study, he said, there was an incidence of prematurity in 17 per cent, in contrast with only 6.7 per cent in the general study population.

According to Dr. Nyirjesy, prolonged labor cannot be adequately ruled out as a possible cause of mental handicap. Three times as many children in the handicapped group were born following labor over 36 hours than in the group classified with superior I.Q. scores and over twice as many in the other two intermediate I.Q. groups. A significantly larger number of the handicapped children, he said, were also born without anesthesia.

## SOUTH POLAR GLACIER NAMED FOR NAVY DOCTOR AT OAK KNOLL

Lt Donald R. Walk MC USN, presented a program on "The U. S. Navy in the Antarctic" when RADM C. L. Andrews and his staff hosted the annual Oak Knoll meeting of the Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association meeting on 14 September.

Doctor Walk, Officer in Charge of Byrd Station, during "Operation Deep Freeze—1960-1961," discussed problems of cold weather medicine—snowblindness, frostbite, abnormal skin conditions, and emotional stresses of living in isolation. He illustrated his talk with his own slides and movies.

Dr. Walk received a commendation from the Commander in Chief, Atlantic Fleet, for his Antarctic service, and only recently he was informed by the National Science Foundation in Washington, D. C., that a glacier in the South Polar region has been named for him.

(Walk Glacier is located in the Jones Mountains, Antarctica, at latitude 73° 38'S and longitude 94° 14' West.)

A graduate of Hahnemann Medical College, Philadelphia, Doctor Walk has been in the Navy for 9 years. He is now in residency training in neuropsychiatry at Oak Knoll.

More than 300 East Bay civilian and military doctors enjoyed the program and the hickory-smoked prime rib roast beef dinner that followed. The annual dinner is a tradition dating back to the hospital's early days.

—From: RADM Cecil L. Andrews MC USN, CO, USNH Oakland, California and District Medical Officer, 12th Naval District, San Francisco, California.



## Two New Deaths

# Meningitis at S.F. Base

A 19-year-old Treasure Island apprentice seaman was critically ill of meningitis yesterday.

Elsewhere in Northern California, two children and an adult died of the disease.

Spokesmen for the 12th Naval District identified the stricken sailor as Richard L. Jolly Jr., of Sedalia, Mo., and said his condition at Oak Knoll Hospital was extremely grave.

### HOSPITAL

The youth, a student at the Treasure Island radar school since October 5, was taken ill early Tuesday morning and

immediately taken to the hospital.

Naval spokesmen said both his classmates and the 150 men living in Barracks 205 are being given gantrisin, a sulfa derivative, twice daily.

There is "no thought" of closing down the barracks because of this single case, spokesmen said.

The deaths occurred only hours after officials of the State Department of Public Health said that California appears to be "approaching the peak of the current meningitis cycle."

The two children dead of

the disease are Laurie Peterson, 5, of El Granada, in San Mateo county, and Betty Grayson, 9, of Modesto.

So far as can be determined, there is no connection between the latest cases and the virulent outbreak of meningitis at Fort Ord that so far has resulted in 105 cases of the disease and 15 deaths.

The San Mateo child, daughter of Mrs. Margaret Steiner, was transferred to San Mateo County General Hospital from Mills Memorial Hospital and died an hour later. She was the third meningitis fatality in the county this year.

The Grayson child died at Stanislaus County Hospital late Tuesday, less than 15 hours after admission to the institution. So far this year there have been two other meningitis deaths in Stanislaus county.

The latest adult victim was identified as Dan McNicholas, 27, a Fresno insurance salesman, who was admitted to Fresno Community Hospital on Sunday and died yesterday.

All those who came in close contact with McNicholas are being given preventative treatment, doctors said.

Through mid-November there were 473 reported cases of meningitis in the State this year—compared to 340 during a comparable period of 1963.

At Fort Ord, where basic training has been suspended for two months because of the outbreak, a trial program was started yesterday to re-evaluate the effectiveness of both sulfadiazine and penicillin in treatment of meningitis carriers.

Four groups of approxi-

mately 40 men each have been selected from the 4th Brigade for the trial. All are advanced trainees, members of specialist schools, who have been in medical isolation from other troops for the last two weeks.

Two of the groups will be given sulfadiazine and the other two groups will be given penicillin. Dosages of both will be higher than that given during previous prophylactic programs, but below that given during treatment of actual cases of the disease.

The new trial program is being undertaken at the request of the Meningococcal

Subcommittee of the Armed Forces Epidemiological Board and approved by the Army Surgeon general.

At the same time, doctors at the Fort Ord Hospital said that 21-month-old Stephen J. Rudd, son of Specialist Don-

ald D. Rudd, who is stationed at the big base, was not a meningitis victim. The child was hospitalized

as a possible meningitis case three days ago but tests disclosed he is suffering from another ailment.

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## Sailor With Meningitis In Critical Condition

Apprentice Seaman Richard L. Jolly Jr. remained in critical condition Saturday night at Oakland Naval Hospital with meningitis.

Jolly, 19, who is stationed at the naval base at Treasure Island, was admitted to the hospital Thursday and his condition has not changed.

His is the only local military case reported in the scare resulting from the outbreak of meningitis this fall, which has forced the suspension of recruit training at the Army's Fort Ord near Monterey. Fifteen soldiers have died at Ord this year.

At Camp Pendleton, the Marine base near San Diego, two

men were stricken with the disease in two days.

Pvt. Morris O. Brooks, 18, of Des Moines, Iowa, was stricken Saturday, and Pvt. Charles B. Towse, 25, of Alton, Ill., on Thursday. Both were listed in critical condition at the base hospital.

Marine officials restricted all 3,600 trainees at Pendleton to the base over the weekend.

In Northern California, Laurie Peterson, 5, of El Granada in San Mateo County, was stricken with meningitis last week, as were Betty Grayson, 9, of Modesto, and Dan Nicholas, 27, of Fresno.



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## The Pulse Beat



## Captain Canty Receives Golden Plate Award

Captain Thomas J. Canty, MC, USN, Commanding Officer of the U. S. Naval Hospital, Camp Pendleton since January, 1961, has been the recipient of many honors during his more than 27 years in the naval service. Most of these honors have been in recognition of his brilliant professional skill in his technical specialty of orthopedic surgery and amputee rehabilitation. The most recent was the Golden Plate Award given to him by the American Academy of Achievement at their Banquet of the Golden Plate held at the El Camino Country Club, Oceanside, in June of this year.

The award banquet was the culmination of the American Academy of Achievement's third annual "Salute to Excellence" week end which brought together more than 50 national and international guests of honor — men of achievement in the sciences, arts, professions, business, education, public service and community leadership. Some

past recipients of the Golden Plate include Dr. Edward Teller, Bruce Barton, Dr. Charles Mayo, Bob Hope, Gen. Douglas MacArthur, and Vice Admiral Raborn, "father" of the Polaris missile.

Among this year's recipients were: Dr. Simon Ramo; Col. John Glenn; R. J. Dela Vega of Mexico; Dr. E. M. McMillan, Nobel Prize winner; Dr. W. H. Pickering, Director of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory; and many other outstanding individuals. Each took the spotlight at the Banquet of the Golden Plate to receive his award as the "representative of the many who excel" in his particular field of endeavor.

All of the candidates for the award were world-famous in their own fields, and Captain Canty was a distinguished representative of the Navy Medical Corps.

In presenting the Golden Plate to Captain Canty, the master of ceremonies, Richard Wartes, a Dallas business

executive, extolled his accomplishments in these words, "...military hero and orthopedic surgeon extraordinary." The audience of more than 300 guests was also told of the many improvements in the manufacture and fitting of artificial limbs developed by Doctor Canty during the period he headed the Naval Prosthetic Research Laboratory and Amputee Service at the Naval Hospital, Oakland. Particular mention was made of the fact that he had performed over 7,000 amputations without a single fatality.

Doctor Canty's activities in the clinical field have had to be curtailed in recent years due to his administrative responsibilities. As a result, the requests for his services, which have been made by various foreign governments through the Department of State, have had to be deferred. However, he is still frequently called as a consultant on many amputee cases. Also former patients of his come from long distances to seek

his advice on their medical problems and rehabilitation program.

The Naval Hospital, Camp Pendleton is proud of the recognition given to our Commanding Officer, and agree with the American Academy of Achievement in the determination that he is indeed well-deserving of the Golden Plate award.

## TO THE FORUM

sity of California are not even students or members of any faculty.

The regents of the University of California should hang their head in shame. How a group of educated and intelligent people supervising one of the largest educational institutions in the world, spending millions of dollars of the taxpayers money each year, would tolerate the movement of a few hundred egotists is beyond the comprehension of a normal high school student.

May God find some place for them when their work of appeasement for mob demonstration is finished on earth.

F. M. PATTERSON, Berkeley.

### Good Samaritans

Editor: In a general sense your Sunday editorial may be true — but Friday, Nov. 27, I witnessed an act that proves life is made up of very big people, in which the hope of our future is maintained.

On the 4:30 p.m. Seminary bus coming from the Oakland Naval Hospital area was the usual group of sailors and civilians. One of the sailors had a serious seizure of some sort.

Immediately several of the boys in and out of uniform sprang to his aid and with the utmost of efficiency and kindness had the situation well in hand.

When a private ambulance

came to return the lad to the hospital, one of the sailors, who was on liberty, volunteered to accompany him back to the hospital to see that he was properly taken care of.

It is in such acts that we know our young people are still fine, and we still survive.

A salute and a thank you to those who acted in a brotherly way.

MRS. H. D. QUAYLE, Oakland.



## Naval Hospital Head Transferred

Rear Adm. Cecil L. Andrews, commanding officer of the Oakland Naval Hospital for the past 18 months, will leave Dec. 30 to take command of the National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Md.

The Bethesda Center, which is most often mentioned for its treatment of U.S. congressmen, is the Navy's chief medical facility and includes a naval hospital, naval medical and dental schools, school of hospital administration, the Naval Medical Research Institute, a toxicology unit and the Armed Forces Radiobiology Institute.

Admiral Andrews served as the center's chief of medicine in 1952.

He will be replaced at the Oakland hospital by Rear Adm. Harold J. Cokely, who has served as commanding officer of the San Diego Naval Hospital for the past four years.

While at the Oakland facility, Adm. Andrews has been active in the planning for the permanent hospital which will replace the 22-year-old temporary buildings at the present site. He also had the additional duty of Twelfth Naval District medical officer and adviser on medical matters to the commander, Western Sea Frontier.

Admiral Andrews, who was promoted to flag rank in 1959,



ADM. C. L. ANDREWS

received his medical degree from the University of Indiana in 1930 and became a specialist in internal medicine at the Mayo Clinic.

## FLAG CHANGES Naval Hospital Heads Given New Assignments

WASHINGTON — A shift in naval hospital commanders and naming of a new chief of the Naval Aviation Safety Center highlight flag changes of the week.

In the Medical Corps change Rear Adm. Harold J. Cokely was relieved as commanding officer, San Diego Naval Hospital, and 11th Naval District Medical Officer by Rear Adm. Horace D. Warden in ceremonies December 8. Warden, a flag selectee this year, dons his new rank in the San Diego job. He was replaced as commanding officer of Charleston Naval Hospital, S.C., by a captain.

Cokely is to become commanding officer, Oakland Naval Hospital, Calif., and 12th Naval District Medical Officer December 28 when he relieves Rear Adm. Cecil L. Andrews. Andrews has been named Commanding Officer, Na-

tional Naval Medical Center, Bethesda. Present Center commander, Rear Adm. Calvin B. Galloway, will retire February 1.

The top post at the Naval Aviation Safety Center, vacant since the October 15 medical retirement of Rear Adm. Thomas W. South II, will be filled in January.

Rear Adm. Paul D. Buie, now Commander, Iceland Defense Force, has been ordered to the Norfolk facility. His relief by Rear Adm. Ralph Weymouth in January was announced earlier. A captain has been filling in as Safety Center commander since South retired.

Rear Adm. Ralph C. Johnson took command of the Defense Atomic Support Agency's Field Command at Sandia Base, N.M., on November 30 from Rear Adm. Emmet O'Beirne, who retired to end a 34-year career.

## Sawyer Is Top At Sub School

GROTON, Conn.—Lt. Robert N. Sawyer (MC) topped the graduating class of the School of Submarine Medicine at the Naval Submarine Medical Center here. He was given the Surgeon General's award in absentia since an operational assignment caused the lieutenant to leave two days before graduation.

Six other members of the Medical Corps were graduated with distinction. They include: Lt. Robert Crafts Jr., Lt. Thomas A. Gehring, Lt. Comdr. Walter F. Miner, Lt. Robert M. Moore, Lt. John P. Smith, and Lt. Neal E. Winn.

The class had several "firsts" in its record. It is the first to graduate under the Submarine Medical Center, commissioned here July 1, 1964; it has the highest number of specialists in it—three internists, one pediatrician, and one radiobiologist; and is the first to receive its deep sea diving training here on locally operating submarine rescue vessels.

Each of the 35 graduates has been assigned to a nuclear submarine or to a submarine squadron billet. Honor man Sawyer has been assigned to the blue crew of the submarine Sam Houston.

## Sights and Sounds Create Yule Magic



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## World of Women

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PATIENT JOHN SIGMAN PITCHED RIGHT IN  
Volunteers decorated Oakland Naval Hospital



NAN WRIGHT TO WED JOHN G. WINN II  
... Treasure Island nuptials

## Navy Officers To Wed This Month

Mr. and Mrs. Hal James Wright are flying from their home in Caracas, Venezuela, to host a pre-nuptial party for their daughter Nan and her fiancé, John Greeley Winn II. The black tie dinner will be held Dec. 26 at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel in San Francisco, the night before their Dec. 27 wedding in the chapel on Treasure Island.

Dr. George Hedley, chaplain at Mills College, will officiate at the ceremony. He will U.S. Navy Lt. Murray H. Voth, chaplain at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital.

Now living in Oakland,

where she is a program consultant for Bay Area Girl Scouts, Nan is a graduate of Mills College and is an officer in the U.S. Naval Reserve. Now on inactive duty, she met her fiancé when both were stationed on Treasure Island.

John, son of Comdr. and Mrs. John G. Winn, USN, (ret.), of Long Beach is also a reserve officer, and both families have been connected with the Navy for several generations.

A descendant of Civil War Gen. William T. Sherman and Horace Greeley, John is a graduate of Pomona College.



VET YULE FUND

## Five Days Left in Holiday Campaign

A little over \$100 a day will do it. With five days to go until Christmas, the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee is about \$600 short of its \$17,000 goal.

The money collected by the committee will be used—as it has been for the past 40 years—to brighten Christmas for hospitalized veterans and servicemen in Alameda County's military hospitals.

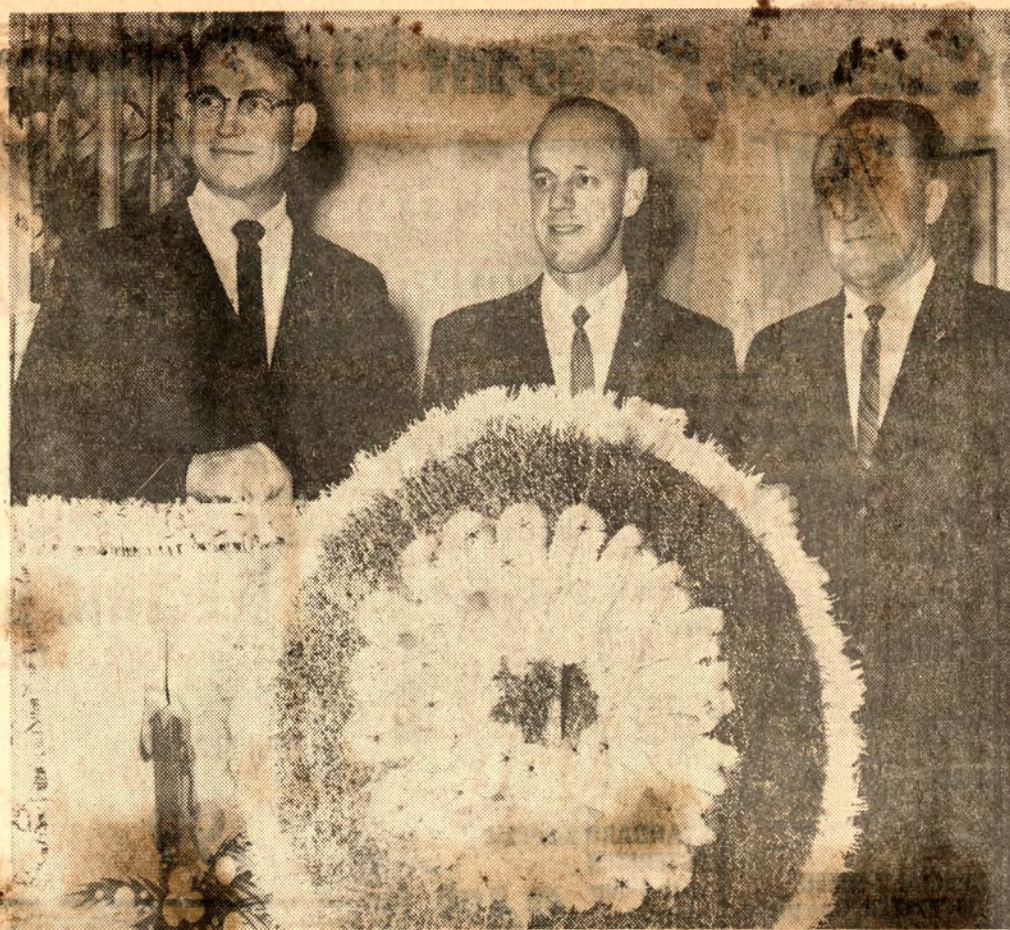
Gifts have already been purchased for 1,200 patients in the Veterans Administration Hospital, Livermore, and the U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland. Decorations have gone up in the wards. Entertainment will soon be provided.

This is the way the people of Northern California wish Merry Christmas to their veterans and servicemen. There is still a chance to help put this year's drive over the top.

The latest contributors:

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Morris Landy Motors	10.00
In memory of	2.00
Myrtle and F. M. Quinn	2.00
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In memory of Lt. Col. G. T. Marts	10.00
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The Castro Valley Senior Citizens	10.00
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SAN LEANDRO	
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West Model Distributors of Oakland	2.00
St. Peters Lutheran Ladies Aid	10.00
In memory of James F. and Henry P. Loughery	5.00
WALNUT CREEK	
Alice R. Holt	2.00
Don Moore	2.00
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Columbia Parlor No. 70	2.00
N. D. G. W. Smartville	2.00
F. O. Berleson, Vacaville	2.00
In memory of my son, Eugene D. Edmunds, Vallejo	5.00
Total	\$ 317.50
Previously acknowledged	16,080.64
Total to date	\$16,398.14



COORDINATORS LOOK OVER DECORATIONS TO GO IN HOSPITAL WARDS  
Volunteer leaders, from left: A. A. Kightlinger, Allan Strutz, and Millard A. Golie.



ADM. H. J. COKELY

## Hospital Command To Change

Read Adm. Harold J. Cokely will take command of Oakland Naval Hospital from Rear Adm. Cecil L. Andrews at ceremonies Wednesday.

The change-of-command will begin at 10 a.m. in Gendreau Circle in the hospital compound and will include a full dress personnel inspection and music by the 12th Naval District Band.

Adm. Cokely, 58, a graduate of the University of Missouri and Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, brings 33 years of naval medical service to his new command. He most recently served as commanding officer of the Naval Hospital and naval corps school at San Diego.

His sea duty assignments have included medical officer with the Asiatic fleet on the Yangtze Patrol and service in the USS Ranger and the hospital ship USS Relief.

Adm. Cokely, a specialist in urology, is the 11th commander in the hospital's 22-year history.

Adm. Andrews will take a new assignment as commanding officer of the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md.

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## Admiral Assumes New Post

Rear Adm. Harold J. Cokely, Medical Corps, USN, took command of Oakland Naval Hospital this week.

Adm. Cokely relieves Rear Adm. Cecil L. Andrews, who has been ordered to a new assignment as commanding officer of the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md.

Cokely, 58, has been on active duty in the Medical Corps of the US Navy for 33 years. In addition to the usual assignments at naval hospitals, he has served as medical officer with the Asiatic Fleet on the Yangtze Patrol and aboard the USS Ranger, with Destroyer Division 11, and in the hospital ship USS Relief.

The new commanding officer will be the 11th in the hospital's 22-year history.

## Naval Hospital Gets a New C. O.

Rear Admiral Harold J. Cokely, U. S. Navy Medical Corps, will become the new commanding officer at Oakland Naval Hospital at 10 a. m. ceremonies, Wednesday, Dec. 30.

Adm. Cokely has been 11th Naval District Medical Officer since 1961 at San Diego where he also was in command of the Naval Hospital and Hospital Corps School.

He is a specialist in urology, a Diplomate of the American Board of Urology, a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and a member of the American Urological Assn. and of the American Medical Assn.

He succeeds Rear Adm. Cecil L. Andrews, assigned



ADMIRAL COKELY  
New commander

as commanding officer at the National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Md.

## New Head for Naval Hospital

Oakland Naval Hospital will get a new commanding officer tomorrow.

He is R. Adm. Harold J. Cokely, who formerly was in command of the Naval Hospital at San Diego.

## World of Women

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"Programmed Instruction—A New Teaching Tool" will be Lt. Cmdr. George Simpson's topic at the meeting Monday of a study section of Oakland Branch, American Association of University women.

The meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. Richard J. Gladman, Harbord Drive. Mrs. Arnold Bondi is co-hostess.

This section has as its 1965 theme, "Bridging the Gap Between Science and Laymen." The speaker and Frances Miliken are section co-chairmen.

Lt. Cmdr. Simpson is a clinical microbiologist at the U.S. Naval Hospital here. She formerly taught at the School of Veterinary Science at Washington State College.

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## Seven New Jangos at Oakland Hospital



CAPPED RECENTLY were seven Jangos at the Oakland, Calif., Naval Hospital. Comdr. Veronica Bulsheski, right, Chief of Nursing Service, did the honors. The new hospital workers, left to right, are Karen Robison, Mary White, Mary Jo Really, Judy Fluitt, Caron Cosy and Christine Watten. Wendy Bauer earned her cap but was unable to attend the ceremony. Also, Sue Rosenheim and Mary Rulon earned chevrons for 500 hours of service and Phyllis Connors and Kathleen Pascoe earned 200-hour chevrons.

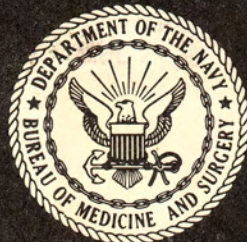
## Navy Hospital Chief

Rear Admiral Harold J. Cokely assumed command of Oak Knoll Naval Hospital last week.

He succeeds Rear Admiral Cecil L. Andrews who now heads the National Naval Medical Center at Bethesda, Md.

Admiral Cokely, 58, received his M.D. from Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia, Pa., in 1931, and then began his Navy career.





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### OAK KNOLL RESIDENT WINS COVETED AWARD

LCDR A. C. Rolen, third-year resident in Obstetrics and Gynecology, won the Kimbrough Award for the best resident paper presented at the Annual Armed Forces OB-Gyn Seminar held at Andrews AFB Hospital in Washington, D. C., from 26-29 October 1964.

Dr. Rolen's paper, titled "Rudimentary Uterine Horn, Obstetrical and Gynecological Implications", was based on studies of a case of this rather rare congenital anomaly which he saw at USNH, Oakland last January and on four well-documented previously unreported cases from personal experiences of other Oak Knoll staff members. It was illustrated with slides of x-ray studies, photographs made at surgery, and sketches of the anomaly. In preparation for his presentation, Dr. Rolen reviewed all known American literature on the subject—the diagnosis, care of, and conclusions reached in each case, only 65 of which have been seen in the last 50 years.

Dr. Rolen's award—an appropriately worded document and \$150 in cash—was presented by Dr. Robert A. Kimbrough, Medical Director of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology, for whom it is named. This is the first time the award has been presented.

Three of the award-winning resident's Oak Knoll colleagues were there to applaud his achievement. They were CAPT J. P. Semmens, Chief of Obstetrics and Gynecology, who appeared on the program with a paper on "Teenage Pregnancy and Its Special Implications", LCDR B. D. Biele, and LCDR N. K. Takaki.

Dr. Rolen earned his MD at the University of Tennessee College of Medicine, Memphis, in March 1958. He served as medical officer on the staff of Commander, Landing Squadrons 1 and 9 in the Pacific and at U. S. Naval Hospital, Yokosuka, Japan, before reporting to Oak Knoll on 23 August 1962.—From: RADM Cecil L. Andrews MC USN, CO, USNH, Oakland, California and DMO, 12th Naval District, San Francisco, California.

### Nuptials For Nan Wright

Two clergymen officiated in the wedding of Nan Wright and John Greeley Winn II at the U. S. Navy chapel on Treasure Island.

Dr. George Hedley, chaplain at Mills College, where the bride received her bachelor's degree in occupational therapy, and Lt. Murray H. Voth, chaplain with Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, conducted the afternoon ceremony. A reception followed at the Commissioned Officers' Open Mess at Treasure Island.

Nan, a lieutenant (jg) in the U. S. Naval Reserve, and John also a lieutenant in the reserves, met while on reserve duty at Treasure Island. Both their families have been active in the Navy for several generations.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hal James Wright of Caracas, Venezuela, and of San Francisco. John is son of Comdr. John G. Winn, USN (ret.) and Mrs. Winn, of Long Beach and is descended from Gen. William T. Sherman and journalist Horace Greeley.

Nan, who was given in marriage by her father, had Mrs. Bower Patrick Thompson of Hayward as her honor matron. Susan Pyeatt, a cousin from Dallas, Tex., and Rosemary Green of Berkeley were bridesmaids.

Barry Ralph of Long Beach was best man for John, who is a graduate of Pomona College. Ushering were Gerald Hanna of Fairbanks, Alaska, William Waterson of Turlock, Charles Quesney of Oakland and Mickey Miller of Mountain View.

The newlyweds are now home in Oakland, where both are employed. The bride is program consultant for Bay Area Girl Scouts.

The Wwins plan to take a second honeymoon to Hawaii, where they will stay at the bride's parental home. Mr. and Mrs. Wright hosted the black tie rehearsal dinner at the Sheraton Palace Hotel.



MR. AND MRS. JOHN GREELEY WINN II  
... carry on family Navy tradition

## World of Women

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### 'Milestone Baby'



THE ADMISSION ROOM at the Naval Hospital, Oakland, Calif., was all ready for Lorena Sue Covington when she "checked in." The young miss, held here by civilian nurse Mrs. Alberta Syrcle, was the 400,000th patient at the hospital, which was commissioned in July 1942. The baby is the daughter of Commissaryman First and Mrs. James M. Covington. Dad is attached to VAW-13, NAS Alameda.



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### DR. KAZMIERSKI FIRST WOMAN OPTOMETRY OFFICER IN THE NAVY

Anne P. Kazmierski, O. D., a June 1964 graduate of the Massachusetts College of Optometry, valedictorian of her class, has accepted an appointment as Ensign, Medical Service Corps, USNR (W). Dr. Kazmierski is the first woman optometry officer in the Navy and has already reported to the U. S. Naval Base, Newport, Rhode Island, for indoctrination training. Upon completion of the course at Newport, Dr. Kazmierski will receive further indoctrination at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Md., before reporting to her assigned duty station at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California.



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## Guardsmen's Night on Mt. Diablo

A 17-year-old Richmond National Guardsman remained in a semi-coma today after being stranded on Mt. Diablo last Saturday night during military maneuvers.

Whether his condition is connected with over-night exposure in near freezing temperatures has not been determined.

But a full military investigation has been ordered by Maj. Gen. Paul Tietz, commander of the 49th National Guard Division.

James Wallace, of 1753 First St., is in Oakland Naval Hospital intensive care unit and listed as in "serious condition."

Preliminary diagnosis is that Wallace is suffering from "encephalopathy—symptoms of a brain malfunction—but extensive medical checks have not disclosed what is causing these symptoms."

Doctors at the hospital said they found no evidence of any physical damage, nor can the disorder be connected with his military ordeal.

Wallace, a member of Company A of the 184th Regiment, was one of a detachment of 32 men and two officers taken to the slopes of Mt. Diablo Saturday for a night infiltration tactical problem.

As a member of the defensive team Wallace was assigned to a picket post atop Fossil Ridge to intercept guardsmen trying to infiltrate the company lines.

When the maneuvers were completed, the men mustered at 10 p.m. to go back to the Richmond Armory.

During the head count, apparently no one noticed that Wallace was missing.

The unit went back to Richmond.

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## Mystery of the Ailing Guardsman

A 17-year-old Richmond National Guardsman remained in a semi-coma today after being stranded on Mt. Diablo last Saturday night during military maneuvers.

Whether his condition is connected with over-night exposure in near freezing temperatures has not been determined.

But a full military investigation has been ordered by Maj. Gen. Paul Tietz, commander of the 49th National Guard Division.

James Wallace, of 1753 First St., is in Oakland Naval Hospital intensive care unit and listed as in "serious condition."

Preliminary diagnosis is that Wallace is suffering from "encephalopathy—symptoms of a brain malfunction—but extensive medical checks have not disclosed what is causing these symptoms."

Doctors at the hospital said they found no evidence of any physical damage, nor can the disorder be connected with his military ordeal.

Wallace, a member of Company A of the 184th Regiment, was one of a detachment of 32 men and two officers taken to the slopes of Mt. Diablo Saturday for a night infiltration tactical problem.

As a member of the defensive team Wallace was assigned to a picket post atop Fossil Ridge to intercept guardsmen trying to infiltrate the company lines.

When the maneuvers were completed, the men mustered at 10 p.m. to go back to the Richmond Armory.

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## Stranded on Mt. Diablo

By WILLIAM O'BRIEN

A teen-age Richmond National Guardsman was near death yesterday after fellow troopers left him stranded overnight in freezing temperatures atop Mt. Diablo.

Only his unit's desire to recover the rifle which James L. Wallace, 17, had failed to return to the armory led to Wallace's discovery at dawn Sunday as he trudged along a road in Mt. Diablo State Park.

The exact nature of the illness which held Wallace close to death in Oakland Naval Hospital was cloaked in military circumlocutions.

A hospital spokesman hinted the teenage private had suffered massive brain damage but added, "his condition as far as we know is not connected with any National Guard activity."

Col. Roy H. Bostic, personnel officer of the 49th National Guard Division, declared Wallace may have suffered from a "disease" which would have occurred whether or not he spent a night in 30 degree temperatures.

The young private was in

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## Stranded Guard Pvt. In Coma

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a coma in the naval hospital's special care ward and was carried on the hospital official "serious" list.

The only point agreed upon by Navy and National Guardsmen was that that Wallace had suffered extensive frostbite on both feet.

The young private and other guardsmen of Co. A of the 184th Infantry Regiment left in 20 trucks early Saturday for the 3,489 foot peak in eastern Contra Costa County.

The troops disembarked at the Danville portal to the State Park, hiked through the peak's Black Hills region, and set up an "infiltration" problem for the darkness of early evening.

Wallace, as a member of a defensive team, was assigned to a picket post atop Fossil Ridge. His mission was to intercept guardsmen trying to filter through his unit's lines.

According to Colonel Bostic, the problem went off without a hitch and all the tired Guardsmen, including Wallace, assembled at the embarkation point for the truck ride to the Richmond National Guard Armory.

MOTHER OBJECTS

The colonel added he believes Wallace "wandered away from the loading point and went to sleep."

Young Wallace's mother, however, took bitter exception to this explanation. Mrs. Ire Belle Wallace said she became alarmed when a guard sergeant telephoned her home at 1753 First St. in Richmond, asking whether her son was at home. The time was 10 p.m. Saturday and the sergeant, according to Mrs. Wallace, was not concerned about the whereabouts of the young private, but just requested that he turn in his rifle at the armory.

The telephone call was followed by a series of other calls from guardsmen "up to 1 a.m.," recalls Mrs. Wallace. She said she inquired the next morning and was told the guard had sent a jeep to the Mt. Diablo area.

The jeep, manned by a lieutenant and driver, found Wallace and his missing rifle near the point where the trucks had departed the previous evening.

Mrs. Wallace said her son was taken first to the Naval Hospital, where doctors found he suffered no injuries. She said he had explained to her that he "stayed at his post" but had fallen asleep.

She added he recalled awakening several times during the night and calling to guardsmen he thought were near his position. "All he said he heard was the sound of cows," reported Mrs. Wallace.

Despite his unanswered calls, Mrs. Wallace said her son assumed the night problem was continuing and that he must stay at his post.

She said her son was returned home, "chilled and hopping about on his feet."

CALLED UNIT

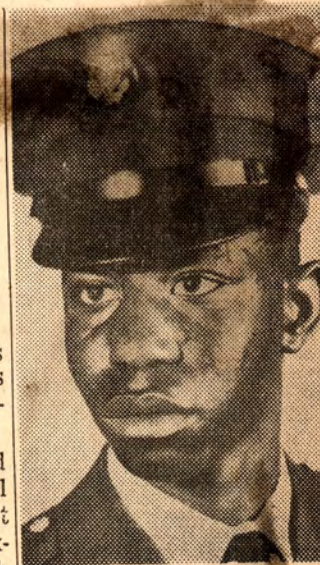
She added that he was lame and cold throughout Sunday and early Monday, and that she finally called his guard unit to request he be sent to a hospital.

She said he was taken in an open jeep Monday to Brookside Hospital in Richmond. An ambulance, she said, was hastily summoned to transfer him to the Naval Hospital.

At no time, she said, did the son mention being at the truck embarkation point. She also said she was mystified about the seriousness of his condition, because young Wallace had always enjoyed good health.

Mrs. Wallace said she had agreed to his joining the guard, although he was only 17, because "he loved the National Guard." She added that she was especially bitter because hospital authorities have refused herself and her husband, Hubbard, permission to visit the stricken youth.

Colonel Bostic said a fitness board at the training center had found Wallace often slow and unable to respond to orders and had considered ordering his separation from the guard.



JAMES WALLACE  
Stranded on Diablo

## Inquiry Into Illness of Guardsmen

A full investigation of the circumstances surrounding the mysterious illness of a 17-year-old National Guardsman from Richmond was ordered yesterday by the youth's commanding officer.

The guardsman, James Wallace, of 1753 First Street, Richmond, was in serious condition yesterday at the Oakland Naval Hospital.

He was taken there after he somehow became separated from other members of his unit during weekend maneuvers on Mt. Diablo. His absence was not discovered until the guardsmen reached the Richmond armory Saturday night. A search was launched, and Wallace was found wandering on the mountain in the chill hours of early Sunday morning.

Hospital officials said yesterday the exact nature of his illness has yet to be determined. They have ruled out frost bite, they said, and have not been able to discover whether his illness is in any way connected with his weekend ordeal.

Major General Paul R. Tietz, ordered a full investigation.

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SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE, Saturday, Jan. 16, 1965

## Ailing Guardsman Is Reported Somewhat Better

James Wallace, the 17-year-old National Guardsman stricken on Mt. Diablo last weekend, was reported slightly improved yesterday at Oakland Naval Hospital.

A hospital spokesman said Wallace was not yet fully conscious and was still on the serious list. The Richmond youth is suffering from sickle-cell anemia, a hereditary disease that caused a blood clot in his brain.

There was no apparent connection between Wallace's illness and his disappearance during maneuvers on the mountain, the spokesman said.

James Wallace, 17, was semi-conscious and, the hospital said, doctors have not been able to diagnose his trouble, which they suspect is a neurological disorder.

And, a hospital spokesman said, they have found nothing to connect his current illness with his overnight experience on the cold mountain last weekend when he became separated from others in his unit as they were returning to Richmond.

## News Briefs

### Guardsmen

OAKLAND (AP) — A young National Guardsman who spent a chilly night on Mt. Diablo after a weekend training maneuver was in Oak Knoll Naval Hospital today with an obscure ailment which kept him on the serious list.

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## Ailment of Guardsmen Diagnosed

James Wallace, young National Guardsman stranded overnight on Mt. Diablo during military maneuvers last weekend, is suffering from a rare hereditary blood disease.

Doctors at the Oakland Naval Hospital said today the disease apparently caused a blood clot to form in Wallace's brain and he suffered a stroke.

Wallace, 17, of 1753 First St., Richmond, is slightly improved today, hospital spokesmen said, but remains in a semi-coma.

Wallace's seizure, the hospital said, has no direct connection with his overnight exposure in near freezing temperatures last Saturday.

Doctors diagnosed his affliction as "sickle cell anemia," a hereditary blood disorder.

Wallace was taken to the Naval Hospital Monday night following his ordeal on the slopes of Mt. Diablo where he was left behind when his National Guard company finished night military maneuvers and went back to the Richmond Armory.

He was retrieved early Sunday morning after his unit discovered that he along with his rifle was missing.

Wallace was taken to the hospital Sunday, checked over and then released.

But Monday night he developed a high temperature and slipped into a coma.

A full military investigation of the incident is being conducted by officers of the 49th National Guard Division.



## Treasure Island Rites For Nan, John Winn

Nan Wright became the bride of John Greeley Winn II, Lt. USNR-R during an exchange of nuptial vows in the chapel at the U.S. Naval Station, Treasure Island, San Francisco. George Hedley Phd, Mills College chaplain, and Lt. Murray H. Voth, Chaplain Corps, U.S., Naval Hospital, Oakland were the officiating clergymen for the 2 p.m. nuptial rites. The bride is a LTJG, USSR-R. She is a graduate of Mills College with the class of 1957 and received her degree in occupational therapy.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hal James Wright maintain a permanent address on Filbert St. in San Francisco but are presently in Caracas, Venezuela where Wright is with Creole Petroleum Corporation.

The bridegroom is the son of Commander John G. Winn, USN(ret) and Mrs. Winn of 272 Park Ave. in Long Beach. John is a 1956 graduate in zoology from Pomona College.

Mrs. Bower Patrick (Donna) Thompson of Hayward was matron of honor. Susan Pyeatt of Dallas, Texas and Rosemary Green of Berkeley were bridesmaids. The attendants were gownned in floor length frocks of emerald green silk taffeta. The bouffant skirts were topped with slim bodices featuring three quarter length sleeves. Dark blue and green headpieces

were donned. Cascade arrangements of roses and carnations were carried.

Escorted down the aisle by her father, the bride was attired in a full length dress of white silk faille. The Empire line gown fell in graceful folds which were swept back into a chapel train. A high scoop neckline and elbow sleeves distinguished the slim, fitted bodice. Silver beads and tear drop pearls added a note of intricate detail on the sleeves and at the waistline.

The veil of sheer illusion net fell from a jeweled pillbox of faille. As part of her bridal ensemble, Nan carried a hand made lace handkerchief with the bride and groom's name and marriage date woven into the lace. Carnations, roses, and lilies of the valley were gathered into a cascade bouquet which was bound with satin ribbons.

Barry Ralph of Long Beach appeared in the contingent of masculine attendants as best man. Gerald Hanna of Fairbanks, Alaska, William Water-son, Turlock, Charles E. Ques-roy, Oakland and Mickey Miller of Mountain View escorted guests to their seats at the church.

The families of both bride and groom have been "old line navy" for several generations. The newlyweds both have USN commissions and met at Treasure Island where the groom is personnel officer and the bride is assistant personnel officer and rating group supervisor for Naval Reserve Surface Division 12-21 (M). Both Mr. and Mrs. Winn are employed by East Bay firms.

A pre-nuptial dinner was hosted by the bride's parents at Sheraton Palace in San Francisco. The black tie dinner was attended by relatives and close friends. Mr. and Mrs. John Greeley Winn greeted guests during a wedding reception held at the Commissioned Officers Mess on Treasure Island. The newly wed couple honeymooned in Carmel. In the near future they plan to spend some time at the Hawaiian residence of the bride's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Winn are listing an Oakland address.



AN ADDRESS in Oakland has been chosen by Mr. and Mrs. John Greeley Winn II. (Pacific Studio photo)

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## Robin Orr The Social Circle



AND AT OAK KNOLL  
Naval Hospital here in  
Oakland, the cocktail buf-  
fet party Rear Adm. and  
Mrs. Harold Jay Cokely  
will give on Feb. 9 will  
honor Rear Adm. and Mrs. John McNay Taylor.

Admiral Cokely is the newly assigned commandant at Oakland Naval Hospital, coming here after four years at the Naval Hospital in San Diego. Admiral Taylor, of course, is commandant of the Twelfth Naval District and the Western Sea Frontier.

Today, Admiral Cokely's wife entertained at a coffee for wives of the staff officers at the Oak Knoll Officers Club. The Feb. 9 party for the Taylors will be held at the Cokely's quarters.

## World of Women

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## New Appointment System At Oakland Naval Hospital

In order to improve service to outpatients (who are active duty and retired military personnel and dependents), reduce the time they must wait to see the doctor, and regulate the doctors' work load, the Oakland Naval Hospital has initiated a central appointment system. Administrative control of outpatient care has also been centralized and is located

in Bldg. 133 near the Main Gate, with Lieutenant G. M. Ellis in charge.

Direct telephone lines have been brought into this building so that

appointments may be made by calling 638-5317. These calls do not go through the hospital switchboard. Hospital officials say that this eliminates inconvenience, and sometimes expense, caused when a patient telephones the hospital and finds that the line to the clinic he wishes to call is busy.

Outpatient service to retired personnel is included in the central appointment system, making it unnecessary for such patients to pick up their charts in Bldg. 133. The central office delivers the chart to the clinic in advance of the person's appointment. A marked reduction in waiting time for retired personnel should result. They were formerly seen on a first-come, first-served basis.

Patients with emergency complaints will be seen in the emergency clinic in Bldg. 105 at any hour of the day or night.

### NEW PATIENTS

A new patient will be required to report to Bldg. 133 before going to the clinic at which he has an appointment. This is so that an outpatient record may be opened for him. Proper identification should be in hand so that eligibility for care may be verified.

"The Command's desire is to provide the best and most prompt outpatient service possible," Captain S. L. Arje, Executive Officer, said. "If those seeking such care will cooperate by making appointments and keeping them, and reserving the open-door policy of the Emergency Room for bona-fide emergencies, real improvement in promptness is anticipated."

### NAVY-TIMES

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## Nurse Retires On Honeymoon

OAKLAND, Calif.—A Navy Nurse Corps officer's retirement after 22½ years' service is routine, but when she brings a brand new husband along for a ceremony conducted by a brand new commanding officer, as Lt. Comdr. Lois E. Adrian did recently, that's unusual.

While on leave the retiring nurse became the bride of Air Force Lt. Col. Lloyd W. Beaver. After a honeymoon to Palm Springs, the new Mrs. Beaver checked in long enough to receive her retirement certificate from Rear Adm. H. J. Cokely, with a letter of appreciation from Rear Adm. C. L. Andrews, who had been detached the day before—and to receive the good wishes of friends.

Mrs. Beaver joined the Navy from here and will make the city her permanent home. Her husband is in the decorating and home furnishing business here and they will live at 2051 Drake Drive.

Mrs. Beaver trained at Franklin School of Nursing, San Francisco and Highland Alameda County Hospital, here. She later studied dietetics at George Washington University, Washington, and for 12 years she was in charge of therapeutic diets for patients in naval hospitals. She spent 18 months aboard the hospital ship Consolation during the Korean War, earning five Battle Stars, one of nine campaign ribbons.

### Admiral's Cocktails

Rear Admiral and Mrs. Harold Jay Cokely of Oakland Naval Hospital will entertain tomorrow at a cocktail buffet honoring Rear Admiral and Mrs. John McNay Taylor of Yerba Buena Island.

Admiral Taylor is commander of the Western Sea Frontier and commandant of the Twelfth Naval District.





RICHARD BOWERS  
A much-wounded Seabee

## Purple Heart For Vietnam Veteran

Richard Lee Bowers, 24, a Navy Seabee construction mechanic third class, was driving a road-building machine in South Vietnam last June when he was wounded by sniper fire.

A piece of shrapnel shattered his jaw, passed through his neck and lodged in his chest. Bullets hit him in the wrist and in the kidney.

Last July, Bowers was brought to Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland, where he has undergone five operations.

Between operations, Bowers had time to marry Betty Parks of Concord in November. They had met before he went overseas, and now live at 2295 Oak street in Concord.

Last week, during ceremonies at the hospital, Bowers was awarded the Purple Heart by Rear Admiral Harold J. Cokely, the hospital's commanding officer.

"I'm lucky," said Bowers. He couldn't say much more because his jaw is wired together to allow a bone graft to heal.

His treatments will continue for another five or six months.

Concord, Calif.

3-DAILY TRANSCRIPT

TUESDAY, FEB. 2, 1965



REAR ADMIRAL Harold J. Cokely, commanding officer of Oakland Naval Hospital, presents the Purple Heart medal to Richard Lee Bowers, 24-year-old Seabee wounded in Viet Nam last June. With him for the presentation was his wife Betty.

# Local Man Receives Purple Heart

Richard Lee Bowers of Concord, a 24-year-old Navy "Seabee" Construction Mechanic Third Class, wounded by sniper fire in Vietnam on June 19, 1964, received the Purple Heart medal last week at Oakland Naval Hospital. The presentation was made by Rear Admiral Harold J. Cokely, commanding officer.

Bowers had been in Vietnam four months when he was hit. His outfit—Seabee Technical Assistance Team 0904, a detachment of Mobile Construction Battalion Nine—was building an eight-mile stretch of road for the Vietnamese at the time. He was driving a front-end loader in a gravel pit when the Viet Cong opened fire from the top of the pit. A platoon of Vietnamese soldiers had patrolled the area earlier and found no Viet Cong in the vicinity.

A piece of shrapnel believed to be from a 9mm automatic weapon entered the young Seabee's right cheek, shattered his jaw, knocked out four teeth, and passed through layers of skin in his neck to lodge in his chest, miraculously missing major nerves and arteries.

A bullet passed through Bowers' liver and nicked a kidney. He has fully recovered from this wound. Another bullet shattered his right wrist, which is still in a cast.

"But I'm lucky," Bowers said, not wasting words. He speaks with difficulty since his jaws are wired together to insure the success of a bone graft that spans the defect in his jaw. The bone was taken from his hip at surgery two weeks ago. "My

fifth operation," said the patient.

A heroic Seabee Chief (William Corzette of Missouri) directed Bowers to get under his loader and stay there. He ordered the third man of their team to take cover in his dump truck. Then in the face of machine gun fire from six to ten Viet Cong and completely exposed to that fire, the chief single-handedly returned the fire and was instrumental in breaking up the ambush. LTJG A. N. Olsen, USN, Officer in Charge of their detachment, who came up from Port Hueneme to be with Bowers for the Purple Heart presentation, has recommended the chief for a medal for heroism.

The wounded man was moved by helicopter to an Army hos-

pital in Nha Trang 240 miles away and there underwent surgery for removal of the piece of metal lodged in his chest. His other wounds were treated. As soon as he was able to travel, he was flown to Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines and on to Oak Knoll, where he arrived July 2.

Navy surgeons believe Bowers will require treatment for another five or six months.

The time at Oak Knoll has not passed as slowly as it might have for the wounded man. Be-

tween surgical procedures he has been able to leave the hospital and on November 29 he exchanged marriage vows in Reno with Miss Betty Parks of Concord. Here they have established their first home at 2295 Oak Street. They met a year before Bowers was ordered overseas, while he was visiting his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Kruthoff of Concord.

Bowers' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Kruthoff, live in Raymond, S.D.

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"Seabee" Richard Lee Bowers, wounded by shrapnel in Vietnam, received Purple Heart in ceremony here

## How 'Seabee' Won A Purple Heart

The Purple Heart medal worn today by Richard Lee Bowers, 24 crew member of the famed Navy "Seabee" Construction Battalion represents a grueling ordeal that began last June 19.

On that day, Bowers was cut down by murderous fire from the enemy Viet Cong guerrillas. Bowers, Construction Mechanic 3-c had been in Vietnam four months and was with a detachment building an eight-mile stretch of road for the Vietnamese.

REDS OPEN FIRE  
Bowers was in a gravel pit driving a front-end loader when the Viet Cong opened fire from the rim of the pit.

A piece of shrapnel, believed to have come from a 9mm automatic weapon, tore through his right cheek, shattered his jaw, knocked out four teeth and pierced his neck, lodging in his chest.

By some miracle, the steel missed major nerves and arteries. Bowers also was hit by

two bullets—one sliced into his liver and nicked a kidney; the other splintered his right wrist.

ARM IN CAST

Although his arm is still in a cast, he has recovered from the stomach wound.

Bowers, speaking through wired jaws, said: "But I'm lucky."

He has undergone five operations, including a graft two weeks ago in which bone was taken from his hip to repair his damaged facial bones.

His first surgery took place at Nha Trang in Vietnam. The latest operation was performed at Oakland Naval Hospital.

LONG TREATMENT

Navy surgeons estimate Bowers will require another five or six months treatment.

But hospitalization has not immobilized the young Seabee from South Dakota.

Last November he married Betty Parks of Concord, where they make their home at 2295 Oak St.

And on Friday, in an impressive ceremony at the hospital, Bowers received the Purple Heart medal from Rear Adm. Harold J. Cokely, commanding officer.

## Rear Adm. Lamar Carver Dies After Brief Illness

Death has claimed retired Rear Adm. Lamar P. Carver, former commanding officer of the aircraft carrier Bon Homme Richard.

Adm. Carver died yesterday at Oakland Naval Hospital after a brief illness. He was 56.

A veteran of 30 years naval service, Adm. Carver lived in Menlo Park.

The Bon Homme Richard was placed under his command in 1955 after it came out of Hunters Point Naval Shipyard from a major overhaul.

Adm. Carver also served on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet, and with the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

He is survived by his daughter.



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GROOM APPROVES—Lieutenant Commander Lois E. Adrian receives her Navy Nurse corps retirement certificate from Rear Admiral H. J. Cokely, Medical corps, USN, commanding officer of Oakland Naval hospital, with bridegroom Lieutenant Colonel Lloyd W. Beaver, U.S. Air Force Reserve, approving the procedure.

## Navy nurse retires in ceremony witnessed by her new bridegroom

A Navy Nurse Corps officer's retirement after 22½ years' service is routine, but when she brings a brand new husband along for a ceremony conducted by a brand new commanding officer as Lt. Col. Lois E. Adrian did on Dec. 31, that's a story.

While on leave on Dec. 19, the retiring nurse became the bride of Lt. Col. Lloyd W. Beaver, U.S. Air Force reserve, in a quiet ceremony in the Treasure Island chapel. After a wedding trip to Palm Springs, the new Mrs. Beaver checked in off leave long enough to receive her retirement certificate from Rear Admiral H. J. Cokely, with a letter of appreciation from Rear Admiral C. L. Andrews, who had been detached the day before — and to receive the good wishes of her many friends at Oak Knoll.

Admiral Andrews' letter referred particularly to Miss Adrian's service as Hospital Corps detail officer for the nursing service—her assignment since October, 1963.

"You have made an outstanding contribution to the efficiency of our hospital," the commanding officer's letter stated. "You have kept yourself informed of personnel needs and on every occasion have met these needs effectively. When personnel shortages occurred, you promptly made adjustments to insure most efficient use of personnel available. Your unfailing interest in improving patient care and your sincere concern for the welfare of staff personnel have made you a most valuable member of our hospital team."

Miss Adrian joined the navy

from Oakland and will make this city her permanent home. Mr. Beaver is in the decorating and home furnishing business in Oakland and they will live at 2051 Drake drive in the Montclair area.

Other highlights of the bride's navy career were her service as chief nurse at the station hospital in Sasebo, Japan, and as assistant chief nurse at the naval hospital in Yokosuka, Japan, and at Oak Knoll.

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## Dental Health Week



SITTING BRAVELY is Tracey Brazil as Lt. Comdr. J. F. Hardin examines her teeth at the Naval Hospital, Oakland, Calif. On-lookers are brother Scott Brazil and Capt. R. A. Middleton, chief of the hospital's dental service. Tracey and Scott, children of Lt. R. W. Brazil of the Dental Corps, got a head start in the Children's Dental Health Week, Feb. 7-13.

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LIEUTENANT EDWARD A. DICKSON  
He fell without a chute and lived

## Once-Lucky Pilot Lost in Attack

The phenomenal luck of Lieutenant Edward A. Dickson may have run out yesterday. Dickson, a 27-year-old Navy pilot from Wyoming, Pa., bailed out from an A-4 Skyhawk bomber that was shot down at sea in the North Vietnam jet attacks. He was reported missing by military authorities.

Just about a year ago, Dickson ejected from a similar plane over the High Sierra—and his parachute failed to open. But he lived to tell about it.

He fell 1000 feet—into a snowbank 60 miles north of Bishop. All that he suffered was a double fracture of his right leg and a bruised forearm.

Dickson told rescuers then that he was unaware his parachute hadn't opened.

"I never bailed out before," he said. "If I'd known, it would have scared the hell out of me."

After landing in the 40-foot snowbank, Dickson set out a red marker to alert rescuers and wrapped himself in the parachute to keep warm.

Two rescuers, who had seen the jet fall, arrived four hours later from June Mountain Ski Lodge, expecting to recover a body.

At the time Dickson was on a training flight out of Lemoore Naval Air Station. Just last month, he was promoted to a full lieutenant aboard the carrier Coral Sea.

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## Ex-Airman Dies in Leap From 7th Floor of Hotel

A former Air Force airman who had been undergoing treatment for cancer apparently committed suicide yesterday by leaping from the seventh floor of the Sutter Hotel at 14th and Jefferson Streets.

Jack Ernest Lance, 47, of Scottsborough, Ala., checked in to the hotel Feb. 5, the day he was released from Oakland Naval Hospital.

He had also been a patient at Napa State Hospital, cor-

ner's officials said.

About noon yesterday Lance called the hotel desk to inquire about the check-out time. The clerk told him the deadline was 1 p.m. and Lance replied, "I'll be down."

He jumped half an hour later.



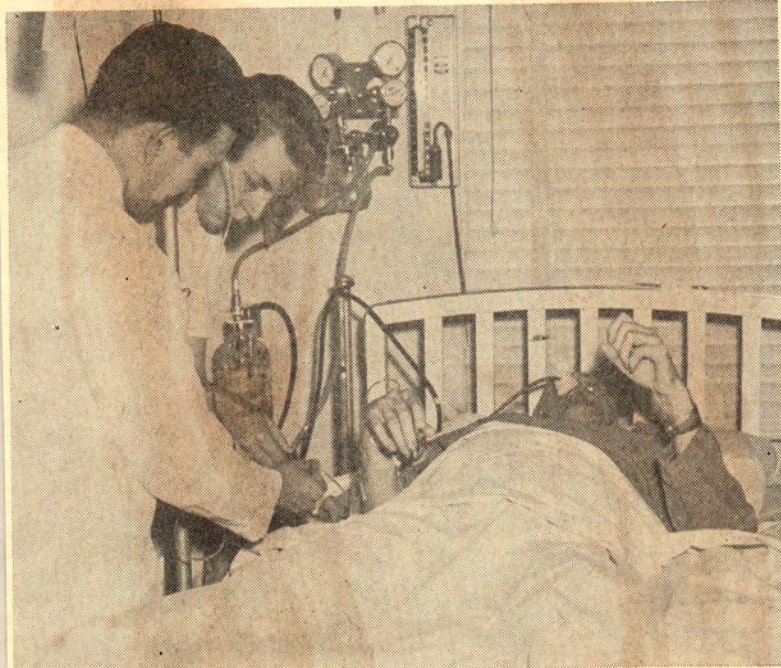
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## This Could Be You



The Blood Bank at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California, could perhaps within an hour, a month, or a year, be the most important place in the world to you, your dependents, or your family. At any hour of the day or night, an ambulance may arrive at the hospital with an injured or critically ill sailor or marine. A corpsman or nurse rushes to the reefer to obtain a container of whole blood that matches that of the patient, and within a short time he is responding to treatment. Last week, this same person's buddy, or even the patient himself, might have voluntarily donated a pint of his blood to the Oaknoll Blood Bank, perhaps through a sense of responsibility, perhaps through thoughtfulness or intuition, or maybe to obtain some extra liberty, but at any rate, it was there when he needed it.

What if it hadn't been there? What if everybody said "Let Joe do it, I'm busy," and "Joe" was over at the Exchange!!! Lost, one sailor or one marine, perhaps for good.

Whole blood, after extensive testing, cataloging, and processing, is stored in a large refrigerated "bank" until it's required. At this time, it is again checked and cross-matched to ensure complete compatibility with the patient's own blood. Whole blood can be stored in this manner for only three weeks, at which time it is removed and converted into plasma or used in other forms. Therefore, a continual program of whole blood replacement into the "bank" must be maintained at all times in order to ensure that 24 hours a day there is a quantity of the correct type of blood waiting if you should need it.

The use of whole blood is not limited to major injuries, by any means. Hemorrhaging ulcer patients, hemophiliacs (bleeders), maternity patients, blood replacement during major surgery, "blue babies," and Leukemia patients are just some of the many ways that it is utilized.

Perhaps you are at sea or on Okinawa when you are notified that your wife or child, or your dependent mother or father, urgently needs blood back in Hometown, North Dakota. Did you know that it is possible to furnish this blood through the various blood banks via "blood credits" direct to Hometown Hospital?

The Oakland Naval Hospital Mobile Blood Bank will be at the Dispensary, Building 257, Treasure Island, from 0930 to 1200 on the 19th and 26th of February, 1965. The Blood Bank needs approximately 60 pints of all types of blood each week from Treasure Island personnel to maintain the continuing blood replacement for Joe to do it. Do it yourself!!!! Remember—IT COULD BE YOU!



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## ONH Seeks JANGO's; March 15 Deadline For Applications

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SAN FRANCISCO SUNDAY CHRONICLE, Feb. 28, 1965

## Teen-Age Volunteers Are Needed

Oakland Naval Hospital is seeking teen-age daughters of armed forces officers to train for JANGO service.

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It is a service organization providing opportunity for girls to learn about community service and the nursing profession.

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*Trend*

S. F. News Call Bulletin 29  
Wed., Feb. 24, 1965

## Hospital Needs Teen-Age Aides

Oakland Naval Hospital is recruiting teen-age daughters of armed forces officers to train for JANGO—Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization.

Founded in Washington, D. C., in 1942, the service trains volunteers for hospital aide work—assisting in admission of patients, running errands and helping nurses.

Information about the April class is available from the chief nurse at the hospital, 569-8211, ext. 246.

BERKELEY DAILY GAZETTE  
Thursday, Feb. 18, 1965

## US Naval Hospital Seeks Junior Nurses' Aides

Oakland's Naval Hospital is seeking teen-age daughters of officers in the Armed Forces to train for JANGO service. JANGO (Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization), founded in Washington, D.C., in 1942, is a service organization that provides opportunity for girls to acquaint themselves with the nursing profession and with community service.

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# World of Women

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## Mrs. Sneary Honored for Service to Navy Relief

Honored for 1,000 hours of service to Navy Relief was Mrs. Earl D. Sneary, wife of the senior chaplain at Oakland Naval Hospital, who was awarded a special pin by Rear Admiral Harold J. Cokely, commanding officer, at the Oak Knoll Officers' Wives' Club.

Mrs. Sneary has served in the thrift shop, done office work and sewing at the Ala-

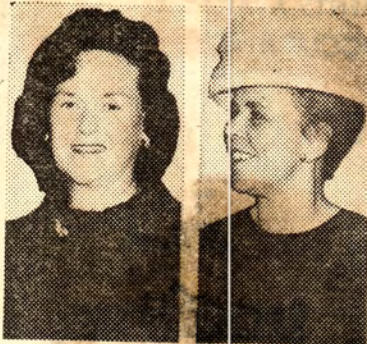
meda Naval Air Station, the U.S. Marine Corps Base, El Toro, and Oak Knoll, where her husband is now serving his second tour of duty.

Six other wives of staff officers were honored for 100 hours of service to help the Navy "take care of its own." They are the Mesdames Donald M. Gragg, Leslie H. Joslin, Rodney I. MacDonald, Nelson H. Parker, Malcolm L. Petway and Augustus B. Scott.

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### Award Winners



1000-HOUR pins have been presented to Mrs. W. B. Stocking, left, and Mrs. E. D. Sneary for their voluntary work for the Navy Relief Society. Mrs. Stocking was the first Mare Island, Calif., volunteer to receive the 1000-hour award while Mrs. Sneary won her award at the Oakland, Calif., Naval Hospital.

### Oakland Winners

OAKLAND, Calif. — The following have received 100-hour Navy Relief Society pins at the Naval Hospital here: Mesdames D. M. Gragg, L. H. Joslin, R. I. MacDonald, N. H. Parker, M. L. Petway and A. B. Scott.

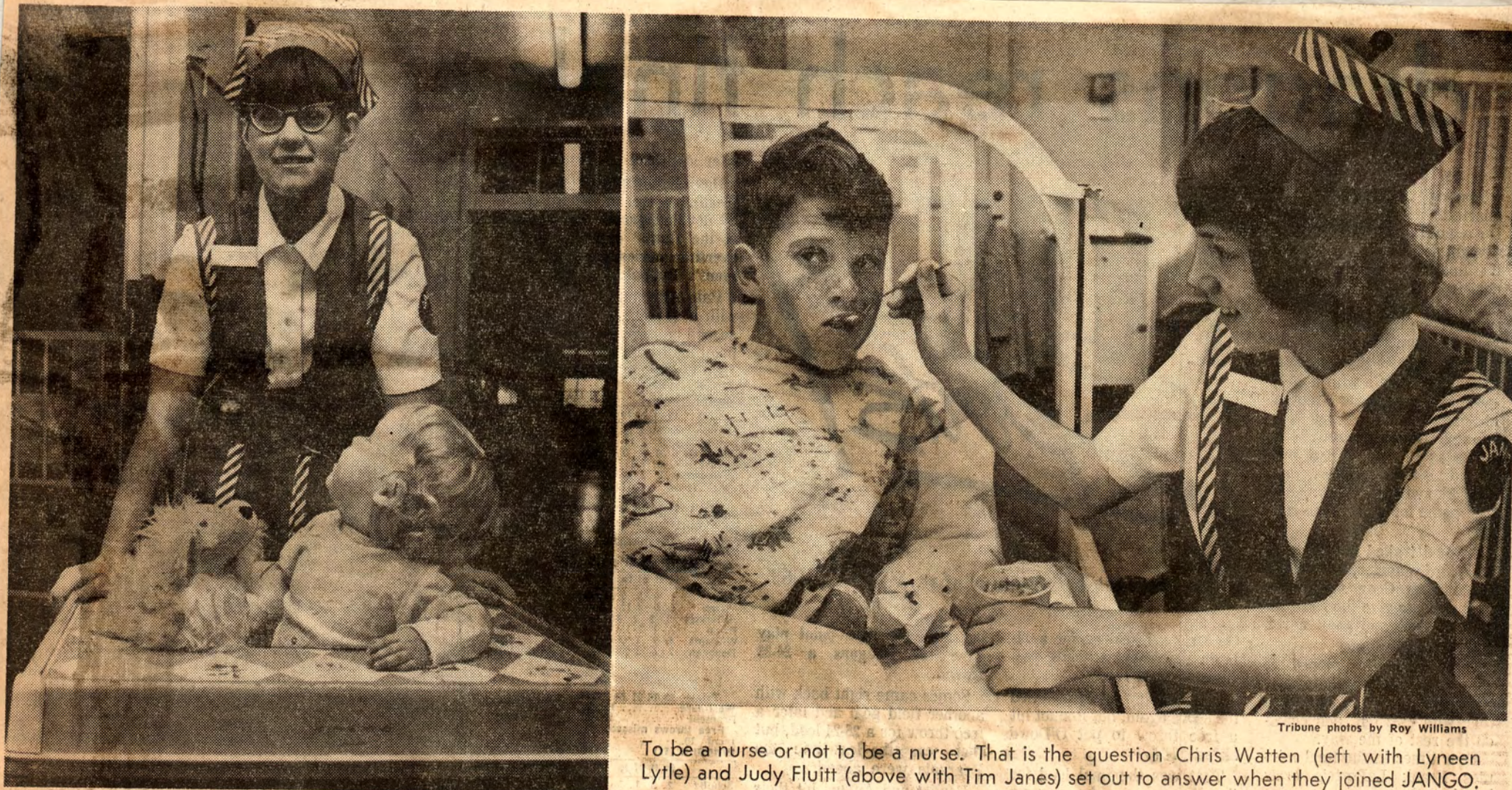
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San Francisco Chronicle



ENSIGN ANNE KAZMIERSKI, first woman optometrist in the Navy, has reported for duty at the Oakland Naval Hospital. Miss Kazmierski is from Johnstown, N.Y., and has a B.S. degree from the Massachusetts College of Optometry. She was commissioned in the Medical Service Corps last October.

## TEEN Age!

Oakland Tribune Sat., March 13, 1965 7-B



To be a nurse or not to be a nurse. That is the question Chris Watten (left with Lynne Lytle) and Judy Fluitt (above with Tim Janes) set out to answer when they joined JANGO.

Tribune photos by Roy Williams

## first jango, then the peace corps

One way to find out if you're suited to one particular vocational field or another is to work in that field. And that's just what Judy Fluitt and Chris Watten, King Junior High School students, are doing.

JANGO (Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization) at Oakland Naval Hospital and now help out in the children's ward.

Judy finds hospital work exciting and she feels needed.

She might go into medicine, but right after college she wants to join the Peace Corps. Chris doesn't want to be a nurse, but rather a veterinarian. She has an interesting theory: She figures animals

have diseases. People eat animals. So why not get to the animals and cure them? Then the people will be cured. Chris hopes to put this theory to work overseas as a part of the Peace Corps.

As for hospital work, she finds it both interesting and satisfying. She says the nurses are busy and really need help.

For further information and JANGO applications call the chief nurse at Oakland Naval

Hospital (569-8211, Ext. 245 or 246). The next training course starts on April 10.

Oh... there is one catch. You must be the daughter of an armed forces officer to apply.



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The light carved teak coffee table was brought back from a tour of duty by the Cokelys after they found it hanging on the wall in a little Shanghai shop.

## EMINENT DOMAINS

By KAY WAHL

An old white house on the ridge of the San Leandro hills and looking over oak trees to the width of the Bay is the latest home for a collection of tables and chests and works of art from all over the world.

It's also the present home of Rear Adm. and Mrs. Harold J. Cokely, who have arranged these souvenirs of all their ports lovingly among the standard Navy furniture that came with "Quarters D."

"We're like all service people," said the admiral, a smile on his ruddy face, "we all have a piece pieced up here and there."

"And sometimes in picking up one thing we picked up several; in the Orient you have to bargain and buy something else to

get the thing you're after. Like this lucky Buddha," he pointed to a round brown serenity by the fireplace, "I got in a shop in Hankow."

"But it was worth it — I never had a ship sunk under me while I had it with me."

This includes a lot of ships and Navy hospitals. Before he came to Oak Knoll (officially the U.S. Naval Hospital at Oakland) as commanding officer, he served with the Asiatic Fleet on the Yangtze Patrol, aboard the carrier US Ranger, with Destroyer Division 11 and on the USS Relief, as well as commanding the hospitals at Key West, Fla., and St. Alban's, N.Y., and the Hospital Corps School at San Diego. He is now also Twelfth Naval District Medical Officer.

Mrs. Cokely, slender and dark haired and with the sound of Memphis in her speech, opened the china cabinet in the dining room and gently took out a dark - flowered compote. "These are things you can't get now," she said, "this dessert service is the Thousand Flower with black — sitting next to my husband's mother's mother's Victorian chocolate cups! And this is an old Japanese rice bowl — these are things you guard with your life."

Besides these and other fragile treasures there are more substantial ones, like the chest from Kowloon, of light carved teak. It differs from most in the absence of the curved top edge and presence of camphor drawers rather than shelves.

The coffee table in front of the gold brocaded couch and the end tables by the red upholstered wing chairs beside the fireplace are also carved teak with the squared edges. "I found them hanging on a wall in

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Unlike most camphor chests, this one from Kowloon has drawers behind its carved teak doors.



The "Quarters D" dining room demonstrates how service people live with their own and their service's possessions—the table and chairs are strictly Navy, the silver service, hunting prints and bullfight paintings are the Cokelys' own much traveled belongings.

## EMINENT DOMAINS . . .

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a little shop in Shanghai in '36," said the admiral's wife.

As a change of style, there's a carved mahogany monk on the sill of the window dividing the living room from the glassed-in porch overlooking the lowlands and the Bay. This was hand carved in Costa Rica. There's a lamp whose base is a slab of intricately carved jade from the Yangtze Valley, there's pre-war Noritake china from Japan, a sake bottle from Okinawa (made into a lamp) and two Obi chairs

Mrs. Cokely had made in Yokohama. Of gold silk and curving sides, they seem Victorian.

Another change of pace is the Audubon print of ruffed grouse over the fireplace, and the hunting prints on the dining room wall ("He's quite a hunter," said the admiral's wife.).

But the most precious of the possessions they have carried across the oceans is the set of three small reclining ivory figures.

"These are old doctor dolls from Nanjing," said Admiral Cokely, fingering them gently.

"A person went to the doctor and instead of being examined, he, or she, would take the appropriate doll and touch a spot and say, 'it hurts here.' What doctor wouldn't be interested?"

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The Victorian appearing Obi chairs and stools were made for the Cokelys in Yokohama.



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March 12, 1965

## Military Blood Donors Support Naval Hospital

Military personnel, approximately 25 each week from NAS Alameda, are being asked to donate their blood to the U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California. Support for the Naval Hospital Blood Bank is drawn from Naval installations in the Bay Area.

The Naval Hospital normally uses 75 pints of whole blood a week. Emergencies sometimes double that number. Quotas have been set for Bay Area Naval installations to meet on a weekly basis.

At NAS Alameda, all departments and tenant activities have been notified of their quotas. Any person wishing to volunteer for the blood bank and not having the information in their department or activity may call Ext. 270 or 247 for additional information or scheduling.

A bus will leave the NAS Dispensary every Tuesday morning at 8:45 a.m. and return at 11:30 a.m.

The blood donated is used in the medical care of active and retired military personnel and their families. Blood donated at the Naval Hospital may be credited hometown hospital anywhere in the country for use in case of need for members of your immediate family (mother, father, brother or sister) under the 12th Naval District Blood Procurement Program. You may apply for these credits in accordance with COMTWELVE Instruction 6530.4A.

The Blood Bank at the Naval Hospital, needs your blood to maintain a "Bank" of blood to ensure the rapid recovery of post-operative surgical patients and to meet medical emergencies. Two units of blood are held in reserve for each surgical and maternity case. Whole blood is urgently needed for hemophiliacs (bleeders), leukemia patients, new born Rh babies, and "blue babies."

As the population expands and medical science devises new means of saving lives, the need for whole blood replacements will grow. The development of the

heart-lung machine used in heart surgery, is possible only because of the availability of whole blood. Five pints of whole blood are required to prime the machine in addition to the actual patient needs.

The needs for whole blood are great. There are other derivatives from blood just as vital. Serum albumin is necessary for the survival of severely burned patients. One pint of serum albumin is produced from three pints of whole blood. Gamma globulin, is used to give temporary protection from infectious hepatitis, measles, and agammaglobulinemia (a condition in which a patient has no antibodies for protection from communicable diseases). One 10cc vial of gamma globulin is produced from six pints of whole blood.

Whole blood can only be stored for three weeks. After this time the red blood cells are too fragile for transfusions, but the plasma portion of the blood is still useful. It can be processed as dried plasma or it can be fractionized into its component parts; albumin, globulin, fibrinogen, etc. Your donated blood will always be a life-saving gift.

### "Well Done" to NAS Military Blood Donors

The response of NAS Alameda blood donors to a recent visit of the Oakland Naval Hospital's Mobile Blood Unit has earned a "Well done."

RADM H. J. Cokeley, Commanding Officer of the Oakland Naval Hospital, commended the response of donors in a letter to Captain T. E. L. McCabe.

RADM Cokeley emphasized the vital part that each donor plays in helping provide the treatment necessary for critically ill patients. The following donors have earned his thanks and a "Well done."

LT FARBARIK, POTTER, AN; HUTCHISON, QM2; BUSH, DC3; KENDRICK, AA; RABBITS, AN; MURRI, AA; MARTINEZ, SA; McCALLA, ADJC; SWEIGART, HM2; HIGGINS, AN; PRITEKEL, AN; ROLLINS, SA; SMITH, YN1; GUEST, HMCA; McBEE, PNCS; BAKER, AA; TARDIFF, AA; ADAMSON, FA; DEATON, AA; PREECE, AA; PATTERSON, AA; NORDQUIST, AN; SHULTON, SN; MANUEL, AN; EICHLER, PO1; AND HOOPER, AN.

## Staley Brown Takes a Bride

The Naval Chapel at Treasure Island was the setting for the marriage of Letha Carter Caruso to Lt. Cmdr. Staley W. Brown.

Following the ceremony, they greeted guests at a reception in the Banquet Room of Fleur De Lys, San Francisco.

Letha, who resided in Oakland, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Carter of Goldsboro, N.C.

Staley is the son of Mrs. Carlton S. Swan of Oakland. Mr. Swan escorted the bride to the altar.

G. D. Brown of Union City was best man for his brother. Mrs. Brown was matron of honor.

After honeymooning in San Francisco, the couple will be at home in Carlsbad after April 1.

He is stationed at Camp Pendleton in Oceanside.



Portrait Studio photo

MR. AND MRS. STALEY W. BROWN  
... married on Treasure Island

## World of Women

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### NEWS round-up . . .

Funds have now been appropriated for a permanent 650 bed naval hospital to be built at Oak Knoll, California, at a cost of £144m. for a nine storey building. Every kind of medical, surgical and therapeutic care will be given in the numerous departments, which will be transferred from the present temporary redwood buildings. The hospital will be completed in approximately three years from ground breaking which it is expected will take place in twelve months' time.



## Sailor Resigns From Navy To Give Kidney to Ill Sister

Kevin W. Kelly, 22, resigned from the Navy in order to come to Oakland and try to save his sister's life.

The sister, Mrs. Dorsha Russell, 19, is critically ill in Oakland Naval Hospital with a kidney disease.

Kelly, a hospital corpsman at the Naval Engineering Center Aerospace Crew Equipment Laboratory at Philadelphia, Pa., has volunteered to donate one of his kidneys to Mrs. Russell. She is the wife of another hospital corpsman, Floyd Russell, who is on the staff at

Oakland Naval Hospital.

Kelly left Philadelphia by plane Friday after ceremonies marking his separation from the Navy, in which he had served 5½ years.

He stopped over at his hometown of Poway in San Diego County first to see his wife, Mary, and their two young children.

If tests prove him to be a suitable donor and the operation is deemed necessary, it probably will be performed at the University of California Medical Center, hospital spokesmen said.

"The chances are 60 per cent that this will save Dorsha's life," Kelly said Saturday.

Kelly said he was too busy getting ready for the trip to worry about the danger of the operation to himself. He explained that his mother was going to be the donor, but she was ruled medically ineligible.

"I was the only one left," he said, explaining his father has kidney stones.

Capt. S. R. Ours, Kelly's commanding officer, praised the corpsman for his outstanding

service and explained the reason Kelly had to apply for and receive a special discharge rather than take a leave.

"Because of this man's moral courage I would be glad to have him back after he loses a kidney if he otherwise passes the physical examination," Ours said.

He said the Navy has said it would consider waiving the regulation that a man must have two kidneys if Kelly wants to re-enlist and can pass the other physical requirements.

Ours noted that Kelly was a volunteer subject for hazardous duty in altitude chamber experiments, and in the recent production of the Navy's first training film on techniques of underwater escape from submerged aircraft.

"Your loss to the Navy and this command will be genuinely regretted," Ours wrote.

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2-S Sun., April 4, 1965 Oakland Tribune

## A Red Cross Career Ends

Upon the occasion of her retirement from Oakland Naval Hospital, where she served 17 years as Red Cross case supervisor, Vera Wilkeson was twice honored within the week.

Rear Admiral H. J. Cokely, Oak Knoll's commanding officer, commended the Oaklander for "exemplary performance of duty," stressing in his letter of appreciation her unusual ability to adapt to new circumstances and a frequently changing staff.

Miss Wilkeson's other recognition was a tea last Sunday at Oak Knoll Officers Club, where more than 100 professional and volunteer Red Cross workers, past and present, paid homage.

The retiring supervisor has been with Red Cross for 23 years, having previously



VERA WILKESON  
 ... she's retiring

served at Torney General Hospital in Palm Springs and U.S. Naval Hospital in Corona.

Originally from South Bend, Ind., she earned her B.A. at Lawrence College in Wisconsin and a master's degree in medical social work at University of Southern California.

In his letter, Admiral Cokely said in part:

"The choice of Oak Knoll as a training center for young Red Cross case workers was due to your capabilities, as well as to the variety of problems presented.

"Your understanding of the needs of patients and their families, and your skillful direction of staff personnel have made you invaluable. . . . Your loyalty and devotion to duty were of the highest traditions of Red Cross naval service."

## New Oak Knoll Gray Ladies

Serving at wards in Oakland Naval Hospital are 21 newly trained Red Cross volunteers, whose assignments vary from playing a game of chess to distributing comfort articles, writing letters, buying, wrapping and mailing gifts for patients.

Other Gray Ladies man telephones, perform a myriad of services in clinics, or simply engage in friendly conversation with the bed-ridden.

At recent ceremonies held at Oak Knoll Officers Club, Rear Admiral H. J. Cokely, the commanding officer, and Veronica Bulsheski, chief of nursing service, capped all but two of the new workers.

The excluded were Gray Men Robert A. Rawcliff of Berkeley Chapter and Jeffrey Stanleigh of Oakland.

Receiving certificates were Mrs. Charles J. Keldel, Mrs.

Doris Rohan and Mrs. A. J. Trommershausen, Alameda; Mrs. John P. Quigley and Mrs. Peter Williams, Berkeley.

Also Mesdames Alice Doron, Georgiana Durant, Girard Erben, Walter Freese, Russell Hillard, Don Horner, John O'Day, George Paulson, Harold Quayle, Stanley Rasmussen, Casia Ruiz, Clara V. Spence, Harry C. Varona and Richard J. Whitman, all of Oakland.

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 SAN FRANCISCO SUNDAY CHRONICLE

## Out of Navy To Save His Sister's Life

Kevin Kelly, holder of a unique set of Navy discharge papers, is flying to Oakland to offer one of his kidneys for a transplant operation in an effort to save his sister's life.

Kelly, a hospital corpsman stationed in Philadelphia, left the Navy after nearly six years because — if his kidney is removed — his physical condition will not meet service requirements.

Kelly's sister, 19-year-old Dorsha Russell, is in critical condition with a chronic kidney disease at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland.

Mrs. Russell's husband Floyd — also a Navy corpsman — can't donate a kidney because he isn't a blood relative. Her parents are physiologically unsuitable.

This, the 22-year-old Kelly decided, left it up to him.

He left the service with due ceremony in Philadelphia Friday after the Navy indicated it might waive the two-kidney regulation to let him re-enlist.

"I would be glad to have him back after he loses a kidney if he otherwise passed the physical examination," his commander said.

Meanwhile, doctors here said they weren't sure whether Mrs. Russell's condition would permit a kidney transplant operation.

If the transplant is performed, it would take place at the University of California Medical Center here.

S BERKELEY DAILY GAZETTE ... Saturday, March 27, 1965



Newly-capped and serving on the wards at Oakland Naval Hospital are two Red Cross Gray Ladies from Berkeley Chapter — and a Gray Man. They are, from left, Mrs. Jean Williams, Robert A. Rawcliff, and Mrs. Mildred Quigley. At a special ceremony at the hospital officers' club, the three received certificates and the congratulations of Rear Admiral Harold J. Cokely, commanding officer. The new volunteers will provide recreation and personal service for patients and assist in the hospital clinics.





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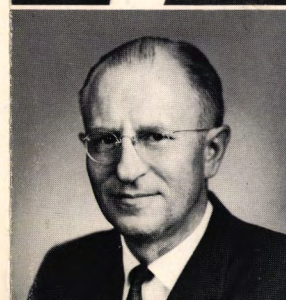
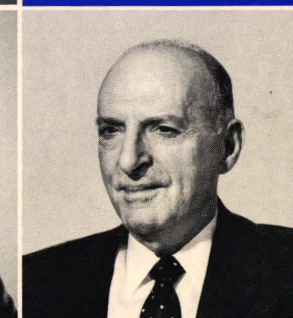
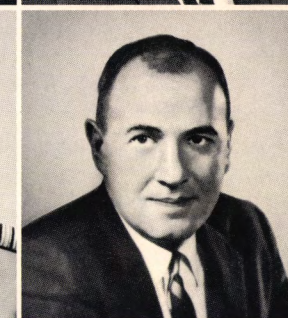
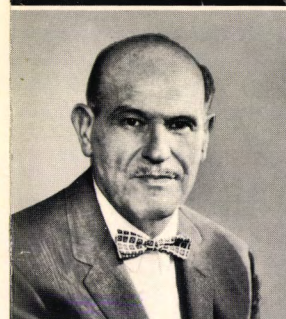
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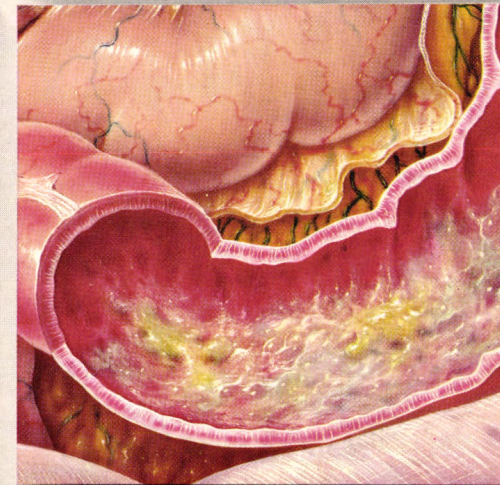
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### Pregnancy and Immunization

Sir:

*I would appreciate your opinion on giving booster doses of tetanus toxoid to postpartum patients who are not lactating, while they are in the hospital, and also on giving booster shots against tetanus and polio to young prenatal patients, most of whom have been actively immunized during their school years. Do you think it a wise program? If so, would you recommend using pure tetanus toxoid or tetanus toxoid with Salk polio vaccine?*

— K. Maxwell Irwin, M.D.  
Cornwall, Ontario, Canada

I can see no contraindications to administering, during the prenatal or postnatal periods, booster doses of inactivated vaccines or toxoids that are unlikely to cause reactions. The only real contraindications are against certain live vaccines, such as measles, yellow fever and smallpox vaccines, which might conceivably cause fetal damage if given during certain periods of pregnancy. Also, I do not advise administering fever-producing vaccines such as typhoid vaccine during pregnancy, unless urgently indicated, because fever-producing vaccines tend distinctly to increase the chance of premature delivery. Whether to give tetanus and polio vaccines prenatally or postnatally depends on the patient's history. If she had previously been immunized against either tetanus or polio, I think the best time to restore her immunity would be after pregnancy. A prenatal booster would induce a high maternal antibody titer that would be transmitted to the infant and, to some extent, interfere with the infant's response to the active immunization he would ordinarily receive in the first six months of life. Since poliomyelitis (I understand) so seldom occurs in Canada now, the risk is minimal, and tetanus immunization is so highly effective that, once it has been given, routine boosters with

tetanus toxoid need not be given oftener than once in every 5 or 10 years.

Of course, my comments are based on experience and practice in the United States. Therefore, I would urge that you modify them in light of the recommendations of the Ontario Ministry of Health or of the Connaught Laboratories in Toronto, which I presume supplies most of the biologic products you use.

— Geoffrey Edsall, M.D.

(Because of continuing interest in tetanus immunization since CONSULTANT's publication of an article on the subject by Doctor Geoffrey Edsall in the August 1962 issue, CONSULTANT is offering a free reference chart on the subject. It summarizes current practices for immunizing against tetanus. Interested readers may obtain a copy by writing to: CONSULTANT, Smith Kline & French Laboratories, 1500 Spring Garden Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19101. — ED.)

### Open Lesions Contraindicate Vaccination

Sir:

*A 16-year-old white female patient has never been vaccinated against smallpox because she has been plagued with various skin allergies since the age of 5 months. Now she has outgrown most of her food allergies and is in good general health, although she is still bothered by recurring low-grade eczema which keeps her skin relatively coarse. Is smallpox vaccination still contraindicated for her?*

— Harold H. Rosenzweig, D.O.  
Nucla, Colorado

Vaccination of a patient with eczema is contraindicated as long as any open lesions or breaks appear in the skin. The danger



is that cowpox virus could be transmitted to the open lesions and the patient could develop possibly fatal vaccinia. If no open lesions or breaks appear, vaccination may be done with no greater danger of reactions than would occur in any nonallergic person whose skin is relatively normal.

— Howard C. Leopold, M.D.

### Coombs' Test and Bilirubin Should Be Stat

(CONSULTANT, July-August '64)

Sir:

Doctor William Ober's recent article "When Is a Lab Test Stat?" failed to mention two emergency tests for the newborn. The first is a bilirubin level; the second, a calcium and phosphorus level. The first is needed in Rh incompatibilities, and the second in seizure disorders. Both are "clues for action"; the first calling for an exchange transfusion, the second calling for intravenous calcium gluconate.

— Barton D. Schmitt, M.D.  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

I agree that a stat serum bilirubin, preferably by a micro method, and a Coombs' test are indicated in icterus neonatorum or suspected isoimmunization disease. These tests were, of course, on my list when I was at a community hospital. The only reason they aren't on the Knickerbocker Hospital list is that we have no obstetric service, hence no newborns. They should have been mentioned in my article, however, and I appreciate your calling this oversight to my attention. As for stat calcium and phosphorus levels in seizure disorders, I just don't think the emergency is that acute

from the laboratory man's point of view. You can always administer calcium gluconate without risk; if that doesn't work, a shot of intravenous Luminal Sodium will usually stop the seizures. It takes about half an hour to get an emergency calcium and phosphorus level done, whereas any effective house officer can control convulsions in five minutes, i.e., before the values are reported.

— William B. Ober, M.D.

### Does Vitamin B Cause Gout Flare-up?

(CONSULTANT, April '64)

Dear Doctor Lockie:

I enjoyed your recent article in CONSULTANT probably because it agrees almost entirely with my own method of treating gout. I have noticed that many patients have suffered the first acute flare-up of gout following a vitamin B injection or an excessive dose of vitamin B by mouth. Therefore, because fermented alcoholic beverages contain somewhat excessive amounts of vitamin B, I blame ingestion of these beverages for precipitating gout attacks also. Do you agree with my observations?

— John Q. Brown, M.D.  
Columbus, Ohio

I have not observed that oral administration of vitamin B has induced acute attacks of gouty arthritis and I would like to know more about your observations. However, there is no doubt that thiamine hydrochloride administered by hypodermic seems to bring on attacks in some people.

— L. Maxwell Lockie, M.D.

been previously investigated by animal experimentation; and (3) the experiment must be performed under proper medical protection and management. Whether experimentation involves new and unreleased drugs or experimental surgery, a written and witnessed agreement between physician and patient is highly desirable, if not required, if the physician wishes to be properly protected against litigation.

Know your local attorney. Consult him frequently, not only about state laws that relate to your practice generally, but about how such laws are being interpreted in your community. A new court interpretation of an old law will, if the patient receives a large settlement, trigger a wave of similar

suits in that area. Forewarned is forearmed.

I also hope you will urge your local medical association to set up programs in medicolegal education — not only for educating physicians but also for educating local attorneys, because medical jurisprudence is highly specialized.

The 20 Prevention Commandments listed in the box in this article were condensed from a booklet, PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY & THE PHYSICIAN, based on a report of our AMA Committee on Medicolegal Problems. The AMA will supply this booklet free on request if you write in for it. I urge you to get it, because it contains much specific information about liability that you should know.

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gical treatment when possible and use well-established medications and procedures. Do not overtreat and do not use toxic medications for trivial complaints. If an unusually hazardous drug is indicated, discuss the potential toxic effects with the patient and make certain that he understands the risks.

*Remember that you are responsible for your assistants and aides. Do not delegate responsibilities to them that are beyond their qualifications. Supervise their work closely, because you can be held accountable for what they do, even in a hospital under certain circumstances. This is especially true of interns and residents who may, at times, overreach their capabilities.*

*Be aware of the possible failure of equipment that can produce serious injuries — especially diathermy, the Bovie unit, and heating pads. Guard against falls, especially with older patients. Always ask your assistant to help an older patient off a table.*

*Don't indict yourself. When things do go wrong, be careful not to make statements that constitute or might be construed as an admission of fault on your part. Such statements can be used against you and may be the deciding issue in causing the patient to sue.*

#### **Know the Law in Your Area**

*Learn the basic legal principles of the malpractice laws in your state, especially the period of time after treatment within which a malpractice action can be filed against you. This statute of limitations varies widely — from one year in some states to as many as six in others. The time from which the statute begins to run after*

*alleged negligence also varies by states. Knowing how this law applies in your state is important, especially if you sue to collect fees, because a large portion of all malpractice suits are filed only after a doctor has started legal collection proceedings.*

*Find out whether or not charitable hospitals are immune from suit in your state. This is most important to know, because if your patient is injured or neglected in a hospital immune to suit, even by someone other than yourself, he may choose to sue you instead.*

*Get an "informed consent" before undertaking major medical or surgical procedures. This is especially true of procedures that carry significant hazard. A series of recent revolutionary court decisions now makes it clear that physicians can no longer depend on simple consent, given verbally by the patient, or assumed by his appearance in your office for treatment. The courts now rule that a physician owes it as a duty to his patient to make a "reasonable" or "adequate" disclosure of the risk and hazards to which he will be subjected as a result of the procedure, so that he may reach an intelligent decision to accept or reject the procedure. Failure to do this, the courts have ruled, constitutes malpractice even though the physician adhered to the standards of practice in his community.*

*And now a word about clinical investigations. In 1946, the Judicial Council of the AMA stated three requirements for experimentation upon the human: (1) the voluntary consent of the person upon whom the experiment is to be performed; (2) the danger of the experiment must have*

## GERIATRICS

### Common Disorders in the Elderly—Part 1



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## HORMONES FOR THE ELDERLY— MEDICINE, NOT TONIC

There is no place in geriatric medicine for the "tonic" use of hormonal products. However, they can provide relief from a good many disturbing or even incapacitating symptoms resulting from endocrine deficiencies that come with old age. Their successful use, however, depends not only on the physician's knowledge of hormonal products, but also on his ability to recognize endocrine-deficiency disorders in his elderly patients. Recognition is sometimes quite difficult, for endocrine disorders are frequently masked by other disorders in the elderly.

With age, the endocrine glands may gradually fail to function properly, depriving the aging person of their products (particularly estrogens and androgens) and thereby leading to

tissue changes commonly associated with aging — cellular hypoplasia, dehydration, and fibrosis. These tissue changes lead to diverse disorders (both obvious and masked), some of which respond to hormonal treatment.

Before discussing diagnosis and treatment of the most common endocrine disorders, I should like to make clear that there is no factual basis for the once-prevalent fear that hormonal products were carcinogenic.

#### **Obvious Endocrine Changes**

*In Women.* Estrogen administration will often relieve such symptoms as flushes, headaches, nervousness, emotional instability, and depression, common in women of menopausal age. You can administer estrogen by injection, although this method offers



no particular advantage over oral administration. Because of the occasional patient who experiences nausea with one of the many potent oral estrogens available, you would be wise to familiarize yourself with several types. *Caution: No patient with suspected genital or breast cancer should receive any estrogen.*

You can maintain tissue integrity in postmenopausal women by using lesser amounts of estrogen than you need to control the symptoms of menopause. If vaginal bleeding or staining occurs in postmenopausal women, you can reduce this by adding small amounts of androgen to the estrogen, but first be sure the bleeding is due just to estrogen and not to something more serious. Because many of the currently available estrogen-androgen combinations contain an excessive amount of androgen, be sure to prescribe a combination that will furnish only about 2.5 mg. of methyltestosterone every 1 or 2 days. Otherwise, your patient may experience undesirable side effects—oiliness of skin, acne, and hirsutism, for example.

Osteoporosis of the spine is common in women who have been amenorrheic 5 years or more; it occasionally causes spontaneous vertebral fractures, both symptomatic and asymptomatic. You can retard these degenerative changes and relieve associated back pain by administering estrogen; this often also increases the patient's strength, vigor, and sense of well-being. In some patients, combined estrogen-androgen administration gives better clinical results than estrogens alone.

*In Men.* Testosterone usually will relieve symptoms associated with aging

in men. Although testosterone does not reverse the aging process, it does seem to have a retarding effect, noticeable in increased vigor and enhancement of intellect and in alleviation of nervousness, irritability, and insomnia. Start treatment by injecting 50 mg. of testosterone propionate intramuscularly, 2 or 3 times each week for 2 or 3 weeks; an alternate treatment that considerably reduces the required number of injections is to inject approximately 200 mg. of one of the several potent depot forms of testosterone once every 3 or 4 weeks. During treatment, you need to check blood counts and observe closely the clinical effects, for occasionally a patient will develop polycythemia or hypercalcemia. When these effects appear, discontinue treatment. *Caution: No patient with prostatic cancer should receive any testosterone.*

*In Men and Women.* Because atherosclerosis with resulting myocardial infarction occurs more frequently in men than in women, logic suggests that estrogen may retard development of atherosclerosis. Therefore, physicians are now giving estrogens for this purpose to both men and postmenopausal women. Although it is still too early to draw conclusions, the advanced time schedule of vascular change in women who have undergone premenopausal castration and early clinical trials suggest that the treatment may prove effective.

#### Masked Endocrine Changes

*Hyperthyroidism.* Hyperthyroidism is often overlooked in geriatric patients because it is masked by hypertension, auricular fibrillation, and heart failure—common in this age group. If your geriatric patient starts needing larger than usual doses of digitalis, or shows resistance to the res-

#### 20 Commandments to Help You Avoid Malpractice Claims

1. Give every patient the scrupulous care required of good medical practice.
2. Avoid destructive and unethical criticism of the work of other physicians.
3. Keep complete records that tell what was done, when it was done, and how it was done.
4. Make no statements that constitute, or that might be construed as constituting, an admission of fault on your part. Caution assistants about making such statements.
5. Exercise tact as well as professional ability in handling patients and insist on professional consultation if you have doubts about diagnosis or treatment, or if the patient or his family seem dissatisfied with your efforts.
6. Refrain from overoptimistic prognoses.
7. Notify patients of any intended absences from practice and recommend a qualified substitute to serve in your place.
8. Get, without fail, an "informed consent" (preferably in writing) for medical and surgical procedures and for autopsy.
9. Carefully select and supervise assistants and take care in delegating to them only those duties for which they are qualified.
10. Keep abreast of general medical and scientific progress.
11. Limit your practice to those fields that are well within your qualifications.
12. Check your mechanical equipment regularly and make use of every available safety installation.
13. Make every effort to reach an understanding with your patient about fees, preferably in advance of treatment.
14. Realize that it is dangerous to diagnose or prescribe by telephone.
15. Do not sterilize a patient solely for his convenience, except after a reasonable, complete explanation of the procedure and its risks and possible complications, and only after obtaining a signed consent from the patient and from the spouse if the patient is married. Such sterilization is a crime in Connecticut, Kansas, and Utah.
16. Except in emergency situations, if you are a male physician, avoid examining a female patient unless an assistant or nurse, or a member of the patient's family, is present.
17. Exhaust all reasonable methods of securing a diagnosis before embarking on a therapeutic course.
18. Use conservative and the least dangerous methods of diagnosis and treatment whenever possible.
19. Carefully read the manufacturer's prescribing information before prescribing any drug and adhere to the recommended dosage schedule.
20. Be aware of all the known toxic reactions to any drug you use and the proper methods for treating such reactions.

prejudiced, and have little self-esteem. They deny or do not understand their own emotions. They believe everything is curable, want their doctor to be omnipotent, but are usually dissatisfied with him. Consequently, they change doctors frequently. Always treat this type of patient with extra tact and kindness. Permit him to talk out his worries in a respectful and friendly atmosphere. Keep him informed of his progress and carefully explain anything unusual that may be happening to him. It is also wise to explain to his family. Be especially careful to keep a com-

plete record of your dealings with this kind of patient; you may need it in court.

*Recognize the hazard of suing to collect fees.* This is especially important if results of your treatment were poor or if your patient has left you for any reason.

*Practice medicine and surgery in a conservative fashion.* Of course, all physicians try to do this anyway, but court records show that some apparently do not . . . or so the courts have ruled. Use medical rather than sur-



times not to lose your temper and say things that can only add to an already strained situation.

*Be honest with your patient.* The practice of medicine is always difficult, but especially so when you are not certain of a diagnosis or when treatment is not working. Do not offer excuses, but share problems with the patient and make him a partner in his diagnosis and treatment; discuss the tests you are performing, analyze the results for him, and clearly outline your predicament. If you make him a partner in this manner, he will be less likely to blame you later if things do not go well. It is a rare patient who will not appreciate your frankness and acknowledgment of his intelligence and understanding.

*Advise consultation readily.* The ready use of consultation in difficult problems does not imply any deficiency on your part. Indeed, most patients and their families will be pleased when you get a second opinion. If the consultant concurs in your opinion, your stature is raised. If the consultant gives a second opinion and your patient benefits from a change in treatment, the patient and his family will be grateful for your good judgment in selecting the right consultant. If you wait until the family asks you to call a consultant, the consultant's opinion may reflect adversely upon you. In addition to the above reasons, if things should go wrong with your patient and you are sued for malpractice, it will be comforting to have your colleague sit on the witness stand with you.

#### **Keep Good Records**

I cannot emphasize too strongly how important it is to carefully document

the medical records of your patients, and especially to record, as they happen, any unusual developments. Include all treatments given and all advice offered.

*Remember that complete records are a defendant's best defense.* Many malpractice suits have been filed because it was known by a patient and his attorney that the physician's records were incomplete, and even more cases have been lost by physicians because they could not back up their testimony with adequate case records. The jury and the judge are never as interested in what you remember on the witness stand as in what you recorded at the time of your alleged malpractice.

*Never alter records.* If circumstances require a change, record the facts — and date your note — on the chart in proper chronological order. Never erase any part of your record. If you make an error when writing, strike out the error with a single line of your pen and follow with the correct version. After recording the treatments given and the advice offered, make a note of the fact if the patient is not cooperating. If he does not report for treatment — and such failure could cause damage — send him a letter telling him why it is important to continue treatment. Keep a carbon of this letter in your file, because you may need it later.

#### **Use Good Common Sense**

Know that some patients are suspicious and vindictive by nature and that these are the ones most likely to sue if things do not go well. Such persons usually present an obvious personality profile: they are suspicious, unreasonable, dependent, dogmatic,

toration of normal cardiac function, he may have hyperthyroidism. Other symptoms suggestive of this are tremors, hot hands, undue sweating, soft, moist skin, unusually bright eyes, and unexpectedly quick actions. Occasionally, hyperthyroid geriatric patients do not conform to this pattern; instead, they show marked muscle wasting and intense lassitude.

A simple, valuable, and much neglected diagnostic aid is determination of circulation time: a prolonged time usually indicates heart failure; a normal or shortened time in combination with an enlarged thyroid gland probably indicates hyperthyroidism. Urinary studies for tryptophane metabolic products are useful to distinguish hyperserotonemia from hyperthyroidism, as are thyroid evaluations. The  $I^{131}$  test, either alone or with the PBI test, is also helpful. However, because hypertension usually elevates the basal metabolic rate, a basal metabolism test is of little value in the diagnosis of hyperthyroidism.

Initial treatment depends on whether heart failure coexists. If it does not, the treatment of choice is radioiodine; since this is not always available, subtotal thyroidectomy (after appropriate medical preparation) is quite satisfactory. If heart failure does coexist with hyperthyroidism, subtotal thyroidectomy without previous radioiodine is the definitive treatment. Give geriatric patients definitive treatment (surgery or radioiodine) rather than sustain them on antithyroid drugs indefinitely, because when they are feeling better, they tend to stop taking drugs and lose contact with their physicians. Such neglect results in a high rate of relapse and makes it very difficult to regain control.

*Hypothyroidism.* The fatigue, lethargy, mental dullness, dryness of hair and skin, periorbital puffiness, and falling of head hair — so typical of hypothyroidism — may go unrecognized in geriatric patients because these changes appear gradually and are often misconstrued as manifestations of senility. More common than is generally recognized, creeping hypothyroidism may be due to selective atherosclerosis or even calcification of the thyroid arteries. Anemia that proves refractory to usual treatment, inordinate fatigue, a slight puffiness of the face, and a brassy voice (in some patients) should suggest the possibility of hypothyroidism. Confirm your diagnosis if studies show a lowered basal metabolic rate, depressed  $I^{131}$  test results, depressed PBI level, and an elevated blood cholesterol level.

Initial treatment consists of  $\frac{1}{2}$  gr. (or less) of U.S.P. desiccated thyroid daily. At no less than 2-week intervals, increase this dose by  $\frac{1}{2}$  gr. (or the equivalent of the initial dose) until a maximum of 3 gr. a day or tolerance is reached; toxicity is manifested by a pulse rate of over 88 per minute, palpitation, or increasing nervousness. Close clinical checking is necessary because of the ever-present threat of sudden onset of grave cardiac difficulties. Newer forms of thyroid therapy offer no clinical advantage and are usually more expensive than U.S.P. thyroid.

Anginal pains with or without hypertension do not necessarily contraindicate thyroid treatment — in fact, many patients with myxedema experience relief from anginal pains as a result of such treatment. However, if your patient has increased anginal episodes or shows signs of cardiac



decompensation as you increase the thyroid dose, reduce the dose to whatever level does not aggravate the cardiac symptoms, even though this does not completely ameliorate the myxedema. In some patients, you may be able to relieve frequency and severity of anginal episodes by giving a small amount of androgen with the thyroid.

**Hypopituitarism.** Although Simmonds' disease resulting from organic involvement of the anterior pituitary gland is rare in the geriatric patient, functional hypopituitarism due to malnutrition and vitamin deficiencies is not.\* Treatment consists primarily in correcting the malnutrition. However, remember that the adrenal cortices are functioning at a low level and so will require support with cortisone, and perhaps androgen as well, if your patient develops an acute illness or undergoes an emergency operation before his malnutrition is corrected.

\* Primary hypopituitarism *per se* is not a characteristic of aging.

After the emergency is over, discontinue hormonal treatment gradually.

**Addison's Disease.** Diagnosis and treatment of Addison's disease are the same for patients of all ages. In geriatric patients, however, this adrenal disorder may go unrecognized for a long time because its symptoms may be ascribed erroneously to aging alone. Hypotension, unexplained weight loss, and intractable fatigue should suggest this diagnosis, although unsuspected malignancy is more often responsible for this combination of symptoms. Chemical studies of the blood, urine determinations of ketosteroids, and changes induced by test doses of ACTH are useful in differentiating a malignancy from Addison's disease. Remember that because the endocrine glands (particularly the adrenals) are favorite sites for metastatic implantation or malignancies, a condition that appears to be a primary endocrine deficiency may in reality be malignancy-induced.

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## SPECIAL FEATURE



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## A PRIMER FOR AVOIDING MALPRACTICE SUITS

According to AMA surveys, one out of every seven U.S. physicians will someday be a defendant in a malpractice suit—one out of every four in some heavily populated states. And judgments against physicians are constantly increasing in amount, frequently running to many thousands of dollars. Is there anything you can do to reduce these frightening odds? Yes, by carefully applying these basic principles in your daily practice: *act in good faith, keep good records, use good common sense, and know the law and its interpretation in your area.*

You've heard this advice often, I know, but are you really following it to the letter? Many of you apparently are not, because malpractice suits are increasing steadily; as

Chairman of the AMA Committee on Medicolegal Problems, I know that a large percentage of all malpractice suits result from neglect of elementary precautions. Let me review for you these basic prevention principles in the light of new court interpretations of old laws.

### Act in Good Faith

Treat your patients and their families with tact and kindness, whatever their attitudes might be. Patients often become fearful when ill and undergo personality changes to the point that their relations with everyone become strained. Understand and make allowances for these changes, even though the patient may be unreasonable. You, too, can become tense and irritable when things are not going well. Be careful at such



through his nose?" The answer is, definitely, NO. Mouth breathing is a completely voluntary act the newborn does not perform. If a newborn cannot breathe through his nose, he will close his mouth tightly in a reflex effort at forced nasal breathing and so will shut off his only remaining source of air.

This phenomenon can be demonstrated by selecting any newborn in the nursery, preferably after he has been fed, and then gently pinching both nostrils together, completely closing the nasal airway. Providing he does not cry, he will become red in the face, toss his head from side to side, and show signs of impending suffocation until his nostrils are released. For this reason, resuscitators are of no value when the nasal airway is completely obstructed; neither is forcing the newborn to cry, for this will only temporarily maintain life—he must breathe through his nose to survive.

### Three Simple, Lifesaving Steps

At the first sign of impending suffocation, check the newborn for choanal atresia, because you can keep him alive until surgery corrects it—if you diagnose it in time. These three simple steps take less than 3 minutes of your time.

**Step 1. Aspirate the nose.** Place a catheter in each nostril to aspirate any mucus or amniotic fluid. Hopefully, this will clear the airway; if not, proceed at once.

**Step 2. Check for atresia.** Attempt to pass a #10 catheter all the way through the nose into the pharynx. If you meet an obstruction, remove the catheter and at once pass a metal

probe into the nostril until it meets the obstruction, using great care to pass the probe along the floor of the nose where it can do no harm. Then, holding your finger on the probe at the rim of the nostril, remove the probe and measure the distance from your finger to the end of the probe. If it measures  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inches or less, this means atresia of the posterior nares is present.

**Step 3. Provide a temporary airway.** Open the newborn's mouth and keep it open until surgery can be performed, preferably within the first 24 hours after birth. To keep the mouth open, insert an anesthetist's infant-size airway into the mouth and hold it in place with strips of adhesive tape placed over the airway and onto the face. If you do not have an airway, use a nursing nipple with a large opening, but tape it securely. *Note:* The newborn need not be fed during the first 24 hours. If surgery is delayed beyond that time, feed him through a feeding tube passed through the mouth into his stomach. After surgery, he will nurse normally.

### Types of Atresia

An atresia results when the buccopharyngeal membrane fails to open. The atresia may be all bone, all membrane, or a combination of the two. It is a congenital anomaly located at the junction of the hard and soft palate; the atresia completely obstructs the passage of air through the nose, either unilaterally or bilaterally. Undetected bilateral atresia, naturally, causes suffocation of the newborn. If unilateral atresia is detected, it will not cause immediate suffocation, but may be responsible for the deaths of infants up to 5 months of age who are found dead in a crib or carriage.



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## PARKINSON'S DISEASE: Challenging and Rewarding to Treat!

Parkinson's disease in the U.S.A. has increased from 900,000 cases to more than 1,184,000 in the last decade; in fact, it has become our most common neurological disorder and our third greatest crippler, exceeded only by arthritis and cardiovascular disease. Furthermore, it has become a disease of the elderly; the average age of reported new cases has increased from 23 years in 1920 to 62 years today. Because the prevalence of Parkinson's disease is likely to continue to rise with the lengthening life-span of the populace, and because most patients are under the care of you general physicians, I welcome this opportunity to review its management with you. First, though, I want to define this disease, which has so many different meanings to different people.

Parkinson's disease is not a syndrome, as many still believe, but a specific disease of unknown etiology with characteristic symptoms of rigidity, akinesia and tremor that progress inexorably throughout the life of the patient. Many syndromes mimic it, but true Parkinson's disease is easily differentiated from *induced Parkinson's syndrome*, which always has a history of recent ingestion of strong tranquilizing drugs, such as the phenothiazines, or reserpine in large doses; from *carbon monoxide poisoning syndrome*, which always has a history of exposure to the gas; from *brain tumor syndrome*, which eventually reveals specific signs—papilledema, severe headaches, sensory and motor nerve changes; from *brain injury syndrome*, with unilateral tremor, which has a



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## NEEDLESS SUFFOCATION OF NEWBORNS

Many of the full-term newborns who suffocate at birth do so because the attending physician fails to diagnose atresia of the posterior nares (choanal atresia). Since immediate diagnosis means the difference between life and death to the newborn, why do so many physicians overlook this easily correctible congenital anomaly? I believe there are two reasons: (1) physicians think this is a rare condition; and (2) they do not realize that it causes suffocation almost immediately. Both reasons are highly understandable but both are based on false premises.

### The Rarity Myth

The rarity myth is primarily the result of poor reporting of vital statistics by both physician and pathologist. Choanal atresia is not listed

separately in the World Health Organization manual; therefore, both physician and pathologist, believing it a rare condition, seldom examine the nose to discover the cause of death. As a result, deaths due to choanal atresia are mistakenly listed under the general WHO classification #762 (postnasal asphyxia and atelectasis) instead of correctly under the specific #759 (congenital malformations of the respiratory system), thus perpetuating the rarity myth. Even when atelectasis is listed as the cause of death, choanal atresia is frequently the real cause. Atelectasis is found because the newborn did not breathe to expand his lungs.

### Why the Newborn Suffocates

One might ask, "Won't the newborn open his mouth if he cannot breathe





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history of related injury and does not progress to the trunk or other side of the body; from *postencephalitic* Parkinson's syndrome, which is easily recognized by oculogyric crises, early onset, and profound lethargy. This last syndrome, so common following the great epidemics of Spanish influenza (1917 to 1927), is now rare.

Idiopathic Parkinson's disease strikes most often between the ages of 45 and 55 and begins with rigidity or tremor on one side, then progresses to the trunk and other side of the body. The so-called arteriosclerotic form is actually the same thing, except that it strikes later in life (between ages 55 and 70), usually with rigidity of both legs, and progresses upward to involve the trunk, neck, and arms. Because circulation is poorer in the older patient, the symptoms, at onset, are more severe and they progress more rapidly.

#### **A Rewarding Disease to Treat**

You family doctors see the patient from onset, when, with proper treatment, deformity and disability should not occur. For this and the following reasons, the Parkinson patient is a rewarding one to manage:

- No complicated hospital tests or procedures are required to make a diagnosis; often, a mere glance at the patient's bent posture, frozen facies, shuffling gait, and tremor is sufficient.
- The patient does not expect a cure and greatly appreciates any betterment in his condition.
- There is no paralysis, as in multiple sclerosis, nor primary atrophy, as in polio.
- Symptoms may remain stationary for periods of five or more years.

Fortunately, we have a wide assortment of drugs (See table) to combat symptoms of rigidity, tremor, akinesia, adynamia, and sialorrhea. Remember, though, that patients vary in their tolerance of these drugs, especially elderly patients, who are far more sensitive to side reactions than younger ones.

In addition to specific drugs for Parkinson's disease, many supplementary drugs are helpful in the control of accompanying complications: *diuretics* for edema; *analeptics* for tiredness, weakness, drowsiness; *antidepressants* for low mood; *antihistamines* for patients who cannot tolerate hyoscine or Parsidol; *tranquilizers* for anxieties that aggravate tremors; *alcohol*, in small quantities, for nervousness and tension.

#### **Drug Program for Elderly Patients**

The elderly patient may be resigned to physical infirmities, but he is deeply concerned about keeping his mental faculties intact. Therefore, avoid drug regimens that dull the mind and block the speech. Give small doses of drugs at first, then arrange frequent visits to adjust them so that unfavorable reactions can be avoided.

Generally, medications should be given to elderly patients twice rather than three times daily. I recommend a starting dose of 1 mg. of trihexyphenidyl (Artane) after breakfast and after dinner for a patient with moderate rigidity and periodic tremor, and 0.25 or 0.5 mg. of bengtropine (Cogentin) at bedtime. If he is chronically fatigued during the day, I add an analeptic drug to the regimen. If some stressful situation is anticipated, such as a visit to the dentist, I give a tranquilizer. I recommend a starting dosage of 2 mg. Artane b.i.d., p.c., for



# STANDARD DRUGS FOR PARKINSONISM

DRUG	DAILY DOSE (Milligrams)	INDICATIONS	SIDE REACTIONS
ARTANE	6-10	Rigidity, tremor, akinesia, depression, inertia	Dry mouth, blurred vision; overdosage produces confusion, agitation, hallucinations
PAGITANE	2.5-7.5	Same as Artane	Fewer than with large doses of Artane
KEMADRIN	7.5-15	Same as Artane	Same as Pagitane
AKINETON	3-6	Same as Artane	Same as Pagitane
COGENTIN	2-4	Muscle spasm, stiffness, "frozen" states	Dry mouth, skin reactions and confusion (caution in glaucoma)
DISIPAL	50-100	Fatigue, weakness, depression, sialorrhea, diaphoresis	Slight dry mouth, occasional confusion
PHENOXENE	50-100	Same as Disipal, but longer lasting	Same as Disipal
PARSIDOL	50-600	Best for tremor control, if tolerated	Dizziness, drowsiness
HYOSCINE	1.2-2.4	Good for insomnia and tremor control, if tolerated	Severe dry mouth, blurred vision, drowsiness

the patient with advanced rigidity and continuous tremor, plus a 50 mg. tablet of Parsidol at 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., plus ¼ of a 2 mg. tablet of Cogentin after lunch and ½ of a 2 mg. tablet at bedtime. I increase or decrease these doses according to tolerance and response. Let me add that any of the standard drugs shown in the table may work as well as those recommended above, and sometimes you must try several to find the one best tolerated by your patient.

## Physiotherapy and Exercise

Physiotherapy should consist of vigorous massage to soften the muscles and stretching to loosen the joints. Also assign the patient appropriate exercises to perform daily. They should always be geared to the health of the muscles, rather than to the comfort of the patient. A one-hour physiotherapy treatment a week is sufficient for

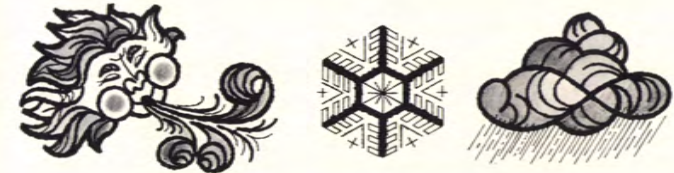
moderate rigidity, but patients with advanced rigidity, contractures, and impediments in acts of daily living should have three treatments a week at the beginning; later, this schedule may be reduced. Make sure the time of the therapist is not wasted on baking lamps, "bubble" baths, and vibrators, which the patient and his family can use at their own convenience. Remember also that debilitated and cardiac patients must have rest periods during their hour of physiotherapy.

## Use Practical Psychotherapy

Most patients and their families have erroneous beliefs about the nature of Parkinson's disease. At onset, tell them frankly what to expect as the disease progresses. The patient's greatest fear is that he will become a helpless cripple and a burden to his family. Tell him that most Parkinson

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patients live out full, useful life-spans; that continuous drug and physical therapy in most cases can control the disease and avoid crippling deformities of spines and limbs, at least for many years. Once assured of this, he will accept his handicap realistically and be eager to cooperate. Constant reassurance is necessary, and his trust in you is your greatest asset.

#### **What About Neurosurgery?**

Modern procedures of thalamectomy are far safer and more effective than the anterior choroidal ligation of the past, but even they are not too well suited to elderly Parkinson patients — only 10% of whom are suitable subjects for surgery. Surgery, when successful, can relieve tremor and, to a lesser extent, rigidity on the side opposite the lesion. Elderly patients usually have symptoms on both sides and

an operation on both sides of the brain, even for a young patient, is hazardous. Moreover, surgery is not effective against akinesia, speech disturbances, confusion, and mental impairment due to cerebral arteriosclerosis or senile brain disease.

#### **Future Prospects**

I believe prospects for the Parkinson patient will continue to improve on many fronts: (1) two Parkinson foundations now sponsor research, (2) the Federal Government will probably aid in making facilities available for the care and rehabilitation of patients with advanced Parkinson's disease, (3) neurosurgeons are exploring newer techniques for use when conservative therapy fails, (4) the discovery of drugs that induce Parkinson symptoms in normal people unfolds hope for the development of other drugs that will arrest the disease.

#### **TIP OF THE MONTH**

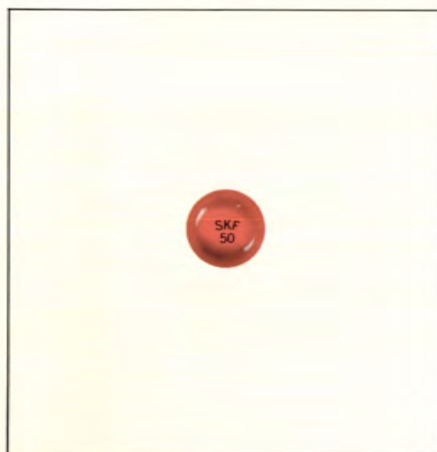
#### **AN AID FOR DIAGNOSING ABDOMINAL PAIN**

Identifying the cause of abdominal pain can be difficult sometimes, especially when the pain occurs without associated muscle spasm, rigidity, or mass. I recall one patient who once came to our clinic after having undergone eight abdominal operations, none of which had relieved her pain. In this case, what had been diagnosed as acute abdomen and other organic diseases actually turned out to be neuromuscular pain — a common cause of confusion and a poorly recognized but frequent source of abdominal pain.

Here is a method to help determine the origin of abdominal pain — a method so simple that I wonder it is not used more widely. I inject 20 cc. of 2% procaine subcutaneously into the abdominal wall. If the pain is neuromuscular, the procaine will almost always temporarily relieve it within 5 minutes. If it is not neuromuscular, but stems from some intra-abdominal disease, the procaine will give no relief at all.

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in the circulatory dynamics may produce corresponding changes in hepatic excretion. Thus, certain physiological states (such as those that follow exercising, eating, and even change of position) as well as certain pathological states (shock, hemorrhage, anoxia, and heart failure) commonly cause abnormal bromsulphalein retention. Such retention reflects circulatory impairment, not primary hepatic dysfunction.

Let us consider a practical application of these facts. One good example is the patient who is admitted to the hospital in shock due to massive upper gastrointestinal bleeding. The bromsulphalein test may be used to distinguish between possible liver disease with esophageal varices and other nonhepatic causes of bleeding; however, the test results are likely to be grossly unreliable. Do not accept them at face value, especially if abnormal. Evaluate them carefully in light of clinical and laboratory data.

#### Hepatic Sources of Error

These include jaundice, competitive reactions, and common duct obstruction. In patients with jaundice the bromsulphalein test is always unreliable. Some clinicians have tried to apply various "correction" factors in such cases but they are misleading.

*Competitive reactions* occur when the BSP. test is given to a patient who is also receiving other drugs or chemicals, such as rose bengal, sodium dehydrocholate, probenecid, and certain gallbladder dyes.

Although the bromsulphalein test is almost 40 years old, we are just beginning to understand some of its mechanisms. Apparently, two processes operate simultaneously: (1) the uptake of bromsulphalein by the hepatic cells in an amount proportional to the dye's blood level and (2) its excretion from blood to bile after chemical con-

jugation of BSP. with amino acids (mainly glycine, glutamic acid, cysteine and glutathione). Therefore, the simultaneous use of any other chemical that competes for the same amino acids, or in some other way inhibits BSP.'s capacity to combine with them, would inhibit the rate of BSP. excretion, causing abnormally high retention.

*Common duct obstruction*, whatever its cause, also causes BSP. retention, since it normally enters the intestine after excretion into the bile.

#### Fever, Another Source

Fever from any source may cause bromsulphalein retention. This fact is not generally known but is an important one to consider—for example, in interpreting liver function test results in a patient with obscure fever. In such a patient, an abnormal BSP., without support from other liver function tests, does not prove the existence of liver disease.

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The bromsulphalein test is a very sensitive and accurate way to assess the presence and severity of liver disease, but only if it is performed under proper conditions. When ordering this test, insist upon accurate dosage and an uncontaminated, precisely timed blood sample. It is worth your while to specify the exact dosage in a note to the laboratory for each patient; you might also check with the laboratory to see that patients are kept recumbent throughout this test, and that blood samples are drawn at precisely 45 minutes after injection. Instruct your patient to fast before the test. Reschedule the test if the patient develops a temporary fever. If you must test a patient with fever, consider the results in light of other data. Also, take into account any co-existing circulatory impairment and any concomitantly given drugs or chemicals which might affect the rate of bromsulphalein excretion.



## GASTROENTEROLOGY



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## HOW YOU CAN MAKE THE BROMSULPHALEIN TEST MORE RELIABLE

Since its introduction in 1925, the bromsulphalein test has become recognized as one of the most sensitive indicators of liver disease. It is widely used, and with good reason. But few physicians realize that many things can influence its reliability, causing misleading results. Consider the following sources of error whenever you order the bromsulphalein test.

First, consider the technique. *Incorrect dosage* is the most common error. The normal value of retained bromsulphalein, 6% or less, is based on precise dosage according to body weight, that is, 5 mg. of bromsulphalein per Kg. of body weight. Too large a dose in a thin patient or too small a dose in a heavy one is certain to produce misleading results.

*Contamination of the blood sample* with even the smallest bit of the dye invalidates the test. So does *incorrect timing*. The post-injection blood sample for determination of remaining bromsulphalein must be taken at precisely 45 minutes after the injection. In normal people, the rate of disappearance of bromsulphalein is constant. However, in people with liver disease, even small variations in timing can change the results greatly.

### Circulatory Impairment

Anything that reduces the rate of blood flow through the liver may cause abnormal bromsulphalein retention. Since this test measures the concentration of dye in a blood specimen taken at a specific interval after its intravenous injection, any changes

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## WHEN AND HOW TO TREAT HYPERTENSION IN THE AGED

Because hypertension is so common in the aged, many have considered it a normal, even inevitable, part of aging that does not usually require treatment. We know now that this is not true, and we consider diastolic pressures over 100, and systolic pressures over 170, definitely abnormal even after 65.

In fact, since hypertension impairs circulation in the brain, heart and kidneys, increases cardiac work, precipitates congestive failure, and aggravates arteriosclerosis, the elderly—who can least afford such effects—seem to need antihypertensive treatment more than anyone. Unfortunately, not all can tolerate or respond to vigorous treatment. So it is important to choose treatment carefully, taking into consideration the cause and severity of hypertension, and the aged patient's general condition.

### First, the Diagnosis

Usually, physical examination and careful questioning will tell you almost all you need to know about the patient's condition; that is, whether his hypertension needs treatment, how vigorous treatment should be, and what results to expect from it.

After blood pressure readings, fundoscopic examination is probably the most important clue to the severity of hypertension. For example, in systolic hypertension, the vessels of the fundi show slight or moderate AV nicking and tortuosity. In early essential diastolic hypertension, these vascular changes are more severe.

*Standard lab tests helpful.* Always include urinalysis and bacterial culture (since the hypertensive patient often harbors a kidney infection). Chest X-ray is useful to determine heart size, degree of tortuosity of the aorta, congestive heart failure, and

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ing of the fetal gonads is justified and will suffice in most cases; these tests detect chronic pyelonephritis, renal tuberculosis, renal tumors, and congenital anomalies of the vascular or renal pedicles. Certainly when dealing with diseases of this sort, the slight danger of irradiating the fetus is far outweighed by the benefit to the future well-being of both the mother and the infant.

#### Major Urologic Disease

By far the most common major uropathies are, in my experience, severe pyelonephritis (acute and chronic), and ureteral calculi. The symptoms are identical: chills, high fever, flank pain, dysuria, and occasionally hematuria.

In most patients, the flank pain of pyelitis occurs on the right; when it occurs on the left, ureteral calculi or congenital anomalies of the urinary tract must be considered or ruled out. Acute tenderness in the costovertebral angle before the twentieth week of pregnancy also suggests infection due to obstruction by calculi; the same symptom after the twenty-eighth week is more typical of infection due to ureteral dilatation and obstruction caused by displacement of the ureter or trigone of the bladder by the gravid uterus.

Although an infection confined to the renal pelvis usually responds rapidly to drug treatment, infection involving the parenchyma does not. Extensive infection of this type may even antedate the pregnancy by months or years and may require vigorous, continuous drug therapy for months before and after delivery.

I have observed that patients with chronic pyelonephritis are apt to have small babies. Hence, in any patient

who has had babies weighing less than 5½ pounds and repeated urinary tract infection, I suspect existing chronic renal disease and, if present, initiate early therapy. I treated one woman, who had delivered prematurely in eight previous pregnancies, with nitrofurantoin from the fourth month until term, and she delivered a baby weighing 2½ pounds more than any of her previous ones.

Ureteral calculi are supposed to be rare. Yet while I was stationed at the naval hospitals in Charleston, South Carolina, and Pensacola, Florida—in an area long called the “stone belt”—I saw 12 patients (one in every 286 deliveries) with ureteral or renal calculi. This is also supposed to be a disease of middle age, yet the average age of my patients with calculi was 27 and one was only 21.

One third of these patients passed their calculi spontaneously, one third were treated with antibiotics before delivery and had surgery afterward, and one third required surgery before delivery. Naturally, we prefer to postpone surgery, but intractable pain and toxic manifestations may demand surgery during pregnancy. Ten of the 12 patients with ureteral calculi delivered living infants.

Two patients studied had renal tuberculosis. The diagnosis was made from a K.U.B. and urogram and urine culture and guinea pig inoculation of the catheterized ureteral urine specimens.

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I have tried to make two major points: always be alert for urologic infection, symptomatic or otherwise, during pregnancy, and when suspicion is confirmed, beware of underdiagnosis and undertreatment.

the condition of the lungs. An electrocardiogram shows the effect of hypertension on heart function, the condition of the myocardium, and hypertrophy of the heart chambers. Blood sugar is usually normal; when it is not, think of diabetes or pheochromocytoma.

Normal levels of urea nitrogen or very slight azotemia indicate that the patient can probably tolerate antihypertensive therapy; high urea nitrogen levels (50 mg. % or more) usually contraindicate such therapy, although at times it may be tried. However, reevaluate or discontinue antihypertensive therapy if the patient's urea nitrogen begins to rise; this means deterioration of renal function under the lower head of pressure. Low serum potassium in an untreated hypertensive patient suggests primary aldosteronism.

**Intravenous pyelogram.** Renal artery obstruction (for example, by atherosclerotic plaques) is fairly common in the elderly. Suspect it in all patients over 60 who suddenly develop malignant hypertension or in whom there are unexplained differences in the size of the two kidneys. In such patients, the intravenous pyelogram is helpful.

Consider unilateral, renal artery disease when the pyelogram shows a difference between kidneys of 1 cm. or more, or delayed excretion of the dye from one kidney. Such differences require additional renal diagnostic studies: The intravenous radioactive <sup>131</sup>I test shows degree of occlusion by measuring the radioactive uptake of each kidney. Split renal function tests (Howard test) point out the defective kidney by comparing the sodium and urine excretion of each. Also radiographic aortography may be necessary to confirm unilateral renal artery stenosis. Of course, these elaborate procedures are rarely needed.

#### When to Treat Aged Hypertensives

Since the blood pressure in aged patients may fluctuate widely, *diagnose arterial hypertension only when systolic and diastolic pressures are consistently above 170 mm. Hg. and 100 mm. Hg., respectively.* (Take blood pressure readings with the patient in various positions during several visits.) Cardiac, cerebral and other vascular stigmata of hypertension, including eyeground changes, confirm the diagnosis. But even without them, moderate, severe, or rising hypertension always requires treatment.

To select the most effective antihypertensive drug, you need to know what is causing the hypertension (See Table 1). Remember to look for specific causes, such as endocrine dysfunction or kidney stones, which may respond to medical or surgical treatment. Then plan your treatment to increase the elderly patient's comfort and working capacity, that is, to reduce his blood pressure gradually, and only to a level that does not produce hypotensive symptoms.

Consider the elderly person's increased sensitivity to the effects of drugs on vascular, gastrointestinal,

TABLE 1.—THREE KINDS OF HYPERTENSION IN THE AGED

Blood Pressure (Mm. Hg.)	Systolic	Diastolic			Endocrine
		Mild	Moderate	Severe	
Systolic	> 170	> 170	> 170	> 170	> 170
Diastolic	< 100	100-105	105-120	> 120	> 100
<b>Causes</b>	Aging Atherosclerosis Arteriosclerosis	Renal Hypertension Essential Hypertension Atherosclerosis and arteriosclerosis Neurogenic			Pheochromocytoma Adrenal cortical hyperplasia, carcinoma and adenoma Primary aldosteronism Thyrotoxicosis



TABLE 2.—ANTIHYPERTENSIVE TREATMENT IN THE AGED

Drugs	Initial Dose * (First 2 weeks)	Indications	Side Effects
RAUWOLFIA			
Reserpine	.25 mg. b.i.d.	mild, moderate or severe systolic or diastolic hypertension	depression, sexual impotence, parkinsonism, insomnia, nasal stuffiness, and diarrhea
Alseroxylon	2 mg. b.i.d.,		
Whole Root	100 mg. b.i.d.		
Syrosigopine	1 mg. b.i.d.		
DIURETICS			
Chlorothiazide	250 mg. t.i.d.	mild, moderate or severe systolic or diastolic hypertension	hypokalemia, hyponatremia, hyperuricemia, hypocalcemia, hyperglycemia, dehydration, and azotemia
Flumethiazide	250 mg. t.i.d.		
Hydrochlorothiazide	25 mg. t.i.d.		
Hydroflumethiazide	2.5 mg. b.i.d.		
Bendroflumethiazide	2 mg. b.i.d.		
Trichlormethiazide	2 mg. b.i.d.		
Chlorthalidone	50 mg. daily (or less often)		
GUANETHIDINE	10 mg. daily	moderate or severe diastolic hypertension	diarrhea and pos- tural hypotension
METHYLDOPA	250 mg. t.i.d.	severe diastolic hypertension	drowsiness fever, weakness, liver dysfunction, and granulocytopenia

\* For maintenance dosage, adjust to response. Patients receiving Rauwolfia compounds can often be maintained on the same or half the initial dosage.

sphincter and autonomic nervous systems. For example, ganglionic blocking agents, particularly those affecting the parasympathetic chain, may produce urinary retention (usually in the elderly male with prostatic enlargement), constipation, diarrhea, and other autonomic symptoms (See Table 2).

#### Mild Hypertension; Mild Therapy

Prescribe the least treatment that gets results. For example, mild hypertension often responds to weight reduction and low-salt diet. Restrict salt intake to 3 to 4 grams of sodium per day (1 gram for congestive heart failure). Encourage walking and other mild physical activity.

If weight reduction and low-salt diet fail to control the blood pressure, then try antihypertensive drugs.

Begin with a mild antihypertensive like reserpine or chlorothiazide or both (See Table 2), adjusting dosage gradually according to the blood pressure response. Only if the drug you choose proves inadequate after two weeks, add or substitute others.

Use diuretics cautiously in patients with poor kidney function; not at all, if the patient shows increasing azotemia. They may aggravate dehydration, deplete body sodium, potassium and calcium; and elevate blood sugar and uric acid. To avoid thiazide hypokalemia, instruct the patient to drink a glass of orange or tomato juice daily, or prescribe 500 mg. of potassium for every 250 mg. of chlorothiazide. Keep in mind that the potassium-depleted patient who is taking digitalis is more vulnerable to digitalis toxicity.

pyelonephritis more vigorously, not only because it may threaten the fetus with premature birth, but also because it may shorten the life of the patient as the first stage in a chronic renal process. We must also be sure that the infection is not really a manifestation of major renal disease.

Pregnant women are particularly susceptible to urinary tract infection because the flow of urine is slowed by the dilated and distorted ureters and bladder, made atonic by the increased secretion of progesterone and by pressure from the enlarging uterus. Typically, in the last trimester or shortly after delivery, the patient develops intermittent high fever and sudden, severe flank pain, usually on the right side.

Examination reveals tenderness in the costovertebral angle and albumin, bacteria, and WBC's (pus) in the urine. The diagnosis is further confirmed by culture and sensitivity studies of the urine. We prefer to obtain urine for culture by the mid-stream technique,\* if the patient can be relied upon to obtain it properly. If she cannot, we catheterize using sterile surgical technique. The important thing is to get the bacteriologic data before beginning treatment, for once antibiotics or chemotherapeutic agents are given, diagnosis of resistant organisms or underlying major renal disease is difficult.

#### Chemotherapy

Sulfonamides may be adequate in the middle trimester, and even in the early part of the third trimester. However, I prefer Furadantin (nitrofurantoin) in the third trimester, when premature labor is a threat, because sulfonamide has been shown

\* Described by Dr. A. J. Michie, *CON-SULTANT*, January 1964, page 32.

to cause a hemolytic response in premature infants. Gantrisin is my drug of choice when sulfonamides can be safely employed, using 2 Gm. initially and 1 Gm. every 6 hours for at least 7 to 10 days. (I repeat the urine culture at that time.) Otherwise, I prefer to prescribe Furadantin in 100 mg. doses four times a day for 3 days followed by 50 mg. four times a day for 7 to 10 days. I check the response by culture, continuing on 50 mg. three times a day as long as the microscopic urine or culture is positive for bacteria. Like Gantrisin, Furadantin is highly soluble and causes few toxic reactions; moreover, it is effective against some sulfonamide-resistant organisms. Although the illness, in most cases, appears to last less than 14 days, it is important to continue some form of chemotherapy for the duration of the pregnancy. Otherwise, infection tends to recur.

#### When Symptoms Persist

Do not hesitate to carry out a simple cystoscopic examination or ureteral catheterization during pregnancy, if indicated. However, you may delay ureteral catheterization until ureteral function has been evaluated; by injecting indigo carmine intravenously and noting its rate of excretion you can determine whether an obstruction is present. When no obstruction is demonstrable, I leave the ureteral catheters in place for 24 hours to establish drainage; this in combination with chemotherapy usually produces immediate relief of the patient's acute symptoms.

Whenever a patient fails to respond to the initial drug therapy, dictated by sensitivity response *in vitro*, you should search diligently for a possible underlying renal deformity or disease. A scout film K.U.B. and a ten-minute urogram with proper shield-



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## BEWARE OF UROLOGIC COMPLICATIONS IN PREGNANCY

Pyelonephritis is the commonest of all complications of pregnancy — save that of excessive weight gain. What its role is in relation to asymptomatic bacteriuria and as a cause of premature birth or toxemia has even the experts debating. At the Second International Symposium on Pyelonephritis held in Boston this last June, opinions were divided. Seven studies aimed at answering these questions were reported with three substantiating a causal relationship, three failing to confirm it, and one reporting evidence strongly suggesting such a relationship. All agreed, however, that bacteriuria strongly predisposes to pyelonephritis in pregnancy, and it is even thought to be a

latent stage of chronic pyelonephritis. They also felt that bacteriuria is related to toxemia; one author reported that women with preeclamptic toxemia had much higher rates of bacteriuria than did normotensive women. Dr. Priscilla Kincaid-Smith of Melbourne, Australia, reported prematurity rates were two times greater (12% as opposed to 5%); stillbirth and abortion rates, three times greater (10% as opposed to 3%); and toxemia, two times greater in bacteriuric women.

One thing we are sure of: our attitudes toward urinary tract infection are in for a drastic change. For example, we are no longer justified in thinking of pyelonephritis as a "minor" complication of pregnancy, although a good many of us now act as though it were. We must treat

### Moderate and Severe Hypertension; Vigorous Therapy

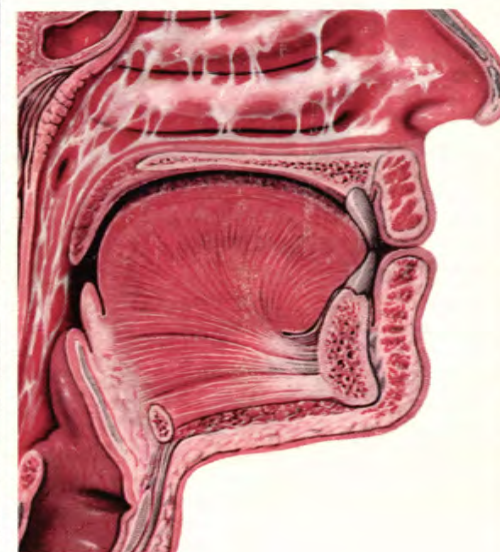
For diastolic hypertension with cerebral manifestations or congestive heart failure, standard therapy begins with severe salt restriction (1.0 gram sodium daily) with reserpine and diuretics; but watch for elevation of the urea nitrogen above 50 mg. %. Avoid hydralazine because it increases cardiac rate and output.

Ganglionic blocking agents, guanethidine, methyldopa and various monoamine oxidase inhibitors may occasionally be used in the elderly, but begin with small doses. For example, begin guanethidine dosage with 10 mg. daily alone, or with reserpine and thiazides. Guanethidine blocks the postganglionic sympathetic nerve endings and may produce wide fluctuations or pressure, so you may need to check the patient's blood pressure twice daily at the beginning of treatment. Methyldopa may be helpful in doses of 250 mg. t.i.d. Also avoid pargyline and other potent MAO inhibitors in elderly hypertensives. If you do find it necessary to use them, be sure to warn the patient to avoid all alcoholic beverages, cheese, antihistamines, and sedatives.

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People over 60 generally respond well to antihypertensive therapy and need not experience a greater incidence of side effects — if treatment is selected and applied carefully, that is, in light of the patient's general condition and response to medication. However, because of arteriosclerosis and other senescent cellular changes, abnormalities such as abnormal EKG or cardiomegaly are likely to persist even after blood pressure and clinical conditions return to normal.

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## CONSTIPATION—YOUR OLDER PATIENT NEEDS YOUR HELP

Constipation is a very serious problem in older people, but whether it is more common in the elderly is hard to say; what few statistics there are would indicate that it is not. However, their degree of constipation is probably greater and the consequences more severe; that is why treatment deserves special attention. Any of the following conditions may be related to an oldster's constipation, and successful treatment may depend upon recognizing and correcting them.

*Loss or reduction of the defecation reflex* is the most frequent cause of constipation and is the result of suppressing the desire to defecate because the time or place is not convenient. This permits the patient to carry feces in the rectum for days without feeling an urge to defecate.

He turns to cathartics and eventually becomes dependent upon them; his constipation increases as his resistance to cathartics grows. Younger people can usually restore this reflex by emptying the rectum with daily enemas; in oldsters this is less likely to succeed, yet it is worth trying. The treatment consists of keeping the rectum empty and in establishing a habit time. After breakfast, have the patient take a plain water enema while on the toilet, using only enough water to create a sensation of fullness; he should then expel it and repeat the procedure several times until the rectum is clear. Continued over weeks or even months, this may restore the defecation reflex to create a natural urge.

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quiring an outlay of about \$100 for medicine alone. So, be sure to get laboratory confirmation of your diagnosis before starting it. For this, it is better to use scrapings from infected skin of the palms or soles since they usually contain a richer growth of fungus than scrapings from the nails.

#### **Target for Candida – Wet Fingers**

This is probably the most common fingernail infection; it can become widespread among mothers and people whose jobs or hobbies cause their fingers to be wet frequently; the constant moisture under the nails predisposes them to infection.

Dryness is the *sine qua non* of success. Your patients may tell you that rubber gloves do not seem to keep their hands dry, and they are right. A rubber-gloved hand immersed in hot water will sweat until it is just about as moist as a hand placed directly into water. So, advise these patients to wear thin cotton gloves under loosely fitting rubber gloves. Cotton-lined rubber gloves do not work as well. And, to answer a frequent query, it is all right for female patients to use polish on their nails.

The topical antifungals are useful for specific therapy. The neatest one for most patients is clear Sporostacin Solution with its tiny nylon brush for painting the infected nails and skin three times a day. Others do better with Mycolog ointment. This product contains the antifungal, nystatin, with topical antibiotics to help control *Pseudomonas* infections that sometimes occur along with the *Candida* infection and are responsible for the green color of the nails, and a topical corticosteroid to help control swelling and pain. Or you may prescribe the amphotericin, Fungizone Lotion. Occasionally in severe infections, you

may have to paint the patient's fingers with gentian violet and cover them with a cotton bandage, such as the stockinette bandages used in dressing finger wounds. If the fingers are very painful, apply compresses (one tablespoon sodium perborate to ½ cupful of water) to the fingers for 10 or 15 minutes daily and follow this with an application of one of the antifungal agents mentioned above. Continue the compresses until the pain subsides, usually within a day or two.

Often, women with *Candida* infections of the fingernails have vaginal discharge also. Unless you treat both infections, neither will respond.

Once in a while, you will come across a patient whose fingernail infection resists therapy. Chances are, he is harboring *Candida* organisms in his lower intestines, and should be given oral Mycostatin for a week or two. Of course, since the drug is not absorbed, oral Mycostatin will not directly help the nail infection. Warning: Griseofulvin, if it is given in *Candida albicans* infections, will often worsen the infection.

#### **The Always Obstinate Psoriasis**

Sorry to say, this obstinate disease is one of the ones we still cannot cure. However, you should advise your patients to trim and shape their nails and perhaps apply colorless nail polish to improve the appearance.

A final word. Sometimes the ridging and dystrophy occurring in patients with chronic hand dermatitis is mistaken for primary disease of the nail-bed, although the nail is only reflecting the successive onslaughts of dermatitis. Treatment here consists in calming the dermatitis of the hands so that the nails take care of themselves. But that is another story . . .

lead to the cathartic habit. Explain that the belief that daily bowel movements are needed to prevent poisons being absorbed from unexpelled feces has been disproved; that one person can have an incomplete or painful bowel movement daily and be constipated, while another can have a complete bowel movement only once in three or four days and be normal. Remember that constipation is almost always in the large intestine; contents of the small intestine are liquid and not easily delayed. The colon takes 48 hours to fill; thus, cathartics taken daily expel feces prematurely and are unnecessary.

A sedentary life may result in a loss of tissue tone, and a blunted appetite. The inactive patient drinks less water and eats less bulk foods, minerals and vitamins. When you prescribe a corrective diet, which may require supplements of vitamins, minerals, and proteins, also increase his consumption of water as well as bulk foods, to avoid constipation and impaction.

*Physical disorders are more common in the elderly* – especially bad teeth or poorly fitted dentures, anorectal defects, rectoceles, bowel disorders such as diverticula and tumors, and systemic limitations imposed by cerebral, cardiac, orthopedic, and neurological disorders. All can contribute to constipation.

Some drugs used to treat heart disease and hypertension and most sedatives and tranquilizers slow peristalsis. This effect can usually be counteracted with cathartics.

#### **Take a Careful History**

Getting an accurate history is a must if you are to help the older patient. Ask about his physical activities, his

eating and drinking habits. If he is taking laxatives, ask what kind, what amount, how often, and for how long. If he is taking other drugs, assess their possible relationship to constipation. Has there been a recent change in the character or frequency of his bowel movements? Is the stool hard, soft, or liquid, and is there any accompanying discharge of blood, pus, or mucus? Pain is an important symptom and must be investigated carefully for location, character, duration, and whether associated with eating or defecation. Has there been any prolapse, stenosis, swelling, or itching of the rectum?

*Make a proctoscopic examination.* The information you get from this is rewarding out of all proportion to the time and effort expended. You can determine the presence of hemorrhoids, abscesses, fistulas, fissures, papillae, rectoceles, and stenosis – all of which can obstruct defecation. You can also evaluate the tone of the bowel wall. If feces are present without a desire to defecate being felt by the patient, the defecation reflex has been lost or reduced. If the cause of constipation cannot be found in the history or on physical examination, order a barium enema.

#### **Try Conservative Treatment First**

Treatment to improve the patient's general health may relieve his constipation. Try especially to correct bad teeth, often responsible for poor mastication, loss of appetite, or unbalanced diets; correct anorectal conditions that cause obstruction or discomfort at stool. Insist that the patient eat breakfast regularly to stimulate peristalsis. Order a diet that includes leafy vegetables, stewed fruits, and other foods with large residues to add bulk, making certain



### TYPES OF CATHARTICS

If cathartics are necessary, they should be given with the condition of the patient as well as the action of each cathartic in mind. You may have to try several before one can be found that will relieve the constipation and cause the least amount of harm.

**IRRITANTS.** Prunes, castor oil, and extracts of cascara act by irritating the bowel's mucous membrane, stimulating secretion and peristalsis; aloes stimulates the myenteric plexus; and the exact action of phenolphthalein is not yet known. It may be necessary to shift from one irritant to another to find the one that works best for each patient.

**SALINES**—milk of magnesia, sodium phosphate, magnesium citrate, and magnesium sulphate—draw water into the intestine to soften feces and increase bulk, thereby stimulating peristalsis. These are less habit-forming than irritants but should be avoided when fluid intake is insufficient. They should always be taken in the morning on an empty stomach.

**LUBRICANTS**—mineral oil and its emulsions—act by softening stools and adding bulk through emulsification. True,

they absorb fat-soluble vitamins, may leak from the anal canal, may act as a foreign body in diverticula, and may irritate the liver. But none of these actions is severe enough to outweigh the relief they can bring—especially to those who do not drink enough fluids. Give just enough lubricants at bedtime after food has been digested and mostly absorbed, to soften feces without leakage.

**WETTING AGENTS** soften stools by decreasing the surface tension of water, permitting it to penetrate the fecal mass.

**SUPPOSITORIES.** In patients who do not respond to oral cathartics, in those for whom irritating enemas are too exhausting, and in those where there is no point in trying to cure constipation, the irritating suppository is indicated. The glycerine suppository has been used in this manner for years. These should be inserted every second or third day.

the patient increases his intake of fluids. Increased exercise is usually beneficial, but you must carefully evaluate each patient's limitations before ordering it. Cathartics are most convenient and very useful for those who do not respond to other treatments, for the sick and debilitated patient, and for those already habituated to irritating drugs. They are needed to reduce straining at stool by patients likely to suffer stroke or heart attack.




### How to Treat Impaction

Paradoxically, a fecal impaction can cause diarrhea; the pressure of the mass irritates the intestinal wall, causing frequent liquid stools. Begin treatment by injecting a mixture of 5 ml. of a 1% solution of dioctyl sodium sulfosuccinate and 30 ml. of mineral oil into the rectum, slowly enough to avoid an enema reaction.

This mixture should be held for two or three hours for maximum effect. Give the patient 15 ml. of castor oil orally an hour or two after the rectal injection, if his health permits. If not, give a plain water enema three hours after the rectal injection and again in four hours. Repeat the entire treatment on successive days, if necessary. If the impaction is hard or large, it is often necessary to break it up digitally to allow the softener to penetrate more efficiently. Occasionally, it may even be necessary to anesthetize the patient and remove the impaction manually.

It would be foolish to expect to cure all the constipated people who have taken cathartics for many years. You will have fulfilled your obligation if you are able to help work out a routine that will keep the patient contented without causing too much inconvenience, and without doing harm.

### HOW TO DIFFERENTIATE COMMON NAIL DISEASES

	Trichophyton Infection	Candida Albicans Infection	Psoriasis
			
AGE	Mostly adults.	Any age group.	Any age group.
SEX	Mostly males (acquired during World War II in Pacific).	Mostly females.	Either sex.
DISTRIBUTION	Usually asymmetrical; may involve all nails on one hand.	Asymmetrical; often involves index finger.	Usually involves all ten nails.
ONSET	Usually starts with one or two nails, spreads later.	Usually starts with one or two nails, spreads later.	Usually starts simultaneously in all affected nails.
SYMPTOMS	Usually no symptoms.	Pain a prominent symptom; paronychia area may be very tender with a dull throbbing pain.	Usually no symptoms; may be associated with arthritis of distal joints.
APPEARANCE	Dry crumbling nail with subungual debris. Paronychia area looks normal.	Nail may be colored a dark green with disease along the lateral nail fold; paronychia area may be red and swollen and may exude pus.	Looks like Trichophyton infection.
ASSOCIATED DISEASE	Frequently Trichophyton infection involves soles of feet and one or both palms; affected skin is dry and red with fine dry scale.	Often associated with Candida albicans infection of vagina; may follow parturition or recent use of antibiotics.	Signs of psoriasis on elbows, knees, scalp, etc.
PROGNOSIS	Great chronicity.	Subacute to chronic.	Subacute to chronic; may wax and wane.
OCCUPATION	Unrelated.	Widespread disease of mothers, housewives, domestics, waitresses, gardeners, garden hobbyists, bakers, etc.	Unrelated.
LABORATORY FINDINGS	Hyphae may be seen on direct KOH exam of dystrophic debris; fungus grows on Sabouraud's medium.	Yeast forms visible on gram stain of pus or paronychia debris; yeast grows on Sabouraud's and special media.	KOH exam and gram stain negative; no growth on Sabouraud's medium.



## DERMATOLOGY



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### CURING NAIL INFECTIONS— MORE THAN EVER A SURE THING

Until a few years ago, diseases of the fingernails and of the skin surrounding the nails were discouraging to treat because we had so little to treat them with, and patients often had to resign themselves to temporary or even permanent disfigurement. Recently, however, so many therapeutic agents have been developed that now we can do much better—provided we choose the right agents. This is an important proviso, for nail infections not only fail to respond but actually tend to worsen with incorrect treatment.

In this article, I want to discuss how to treat the common fingernail infections: *Trichophyton* and *Candida albicans*, and how to distinguish these from psoriasis. As you read it, you may find it helpful to glance at the accompanying table, where I have

tried to summarize some diagnostic points about these diseases.

#### **Sure Cure for Trichophyton Infections**

Griseofulvin (and possibly only griseofulvin) clears up *Trichophyton* infections. I have not found any topical or surgical procedure speedier or more effective. But the griseofulvin has to be continued faithfully and steadily for almost 6 months—in fact, for about a year if the toenails are also involved. Often it must be prescribed in amounts of 1.5 to 2.0 grams of the older form or equivalent amounts in the newer small-particle form. I tell my patients to take the griseofulvin after eating since almost twice as much is absorbed if there are fats in the stomach.

As you can understand, this much therapy is expensive, sometimes re-

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it also calms the patient

#### **SUMMARY OF SIDE EFFECTS, CAUTIONS AND CONTRAINDICATIONS**

In usual dosage, side effects are infrequent, usually mild and transitory. There may be occasional drowsiness, dizziness, skin reactions and, rarely, hypotension. Neuromuscular reactions may be encountered infrequently, although these are most often seen in hospitalized mental patients maintained on high dosages. Therefore, use the lowest effective dosage since the possibility of such reactions increases as dosage is raised. There is little likelihood of agranulocytosis or jaundice. The physician should be aware that they are possible, and patients should be kept under regular observation. The drug is contraindicated in comatose or greatly depressed states due to C.N.S. depressants.

*Before prescribing, see SK&F Product Prescribing Information.*

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**Smith Kline & French Laboratories  
announces**

**Dyrenium<sup>\*</sup>**  
brand of **triamterene**  
**Capsules**

**a highly effective oral diuretic  
with a unique mode of action**

**Prescribing Information**

**FORMULA:** Each capsule contains triamterene, 100 mg.

**INDICATIONS:** Dyrenium (triamterene, SK&F) is indicated in the treatment of edema associated with congestive heart failure, cirrhosis, the nephrotic syndrome, and late pregnancy; it is also indicated in steroid-induced edema, idiopathic edema and edema due to secondary hyperaldosteronism. It is especially useful when patients prove resistant or only partially responsive to other diuretic therapy.

**CONTRAINDICATIONS:** Severe or progressive kidney disease or dysfunction with the possible exception of nephrosis. Severe hepatic disease. Hypersensitivity to the drug.

**WARNINGS:** As with any new drug, patients should be observed regularly for the possible occurrence of blood dyscrasias, liver damage, or other idiosyncratic reactions.

There have been reports of blood dyscrasias in patients receiving Dyrenium (triamterene, SK&F) but these appear related to the disease condition rather than caused by the drug.

Periodic BUN and serum potassium determinations should be made to check kidney function, especially in patients with suspected or confirmed renal insufficiency.

**PRECAUTIONS:** Dyrenium (triamterene, SK&F) tends to conserve potassium rather than to promote its excretion.  
\*Trademark

tion as do many diuretics and, in rare instances, can cause rises in serum potassium. Potassium supplements, either as medication or as a potassium-rich diet, should not be used with Dyrenium (triamterene, SK&F).

In the presence of pre-existing elevated serum potassium, as sometimes seen in patients with impaired renal function or azotemia, Dyrenium (triamterene, SK&F) should be used cautiously and the physician should check pertinent laboratory data† such as BUN and potassium determinations and electrocardiograms. Hyperkalemia will rarely occur in patients with adequate urinary output, but it is a possibility if large doses are used for considerable periods of time. If hyperkalemia is observed, Dyrenium (triamterene, SK&F) should be withdrawn. Because Dyrenium (triamterene, SK&F) conserves potassium, it has been theorized that in patients who have received intensive therapy or been given the drug for prolonged periods, a rebound kaliuresis could occur upon abrupt withdrawal. In such patients withdrawal of Dyrenium (triamterene, SK&F) should be gradual.

Electrolyte imbalance often encountered in such diseases as congestive heart failure, renal disease, or cirrhosis may be aggravated or caused independently by any effective diuretic agent including Dyrenium (triamterene, SK&F). The use of full doses of a diuretic

†Blood samples require careful handling to prevent hemolysis on standing with resulting false serum potassium readings.


Unlike other diuretics, 'Dyrenium' is believed to have two distinct actions: a direct effect on the processes of sodium and other ion transfer in the distal rather than the proximal renal tubules, and an aldosterone-antagonizing action. Because of its dual action, 'Dyrenium' offers these advantages:

1. effective in many patients resistant to other diuretics
2. useful in conjunction with other diuretics, when required, to potentiate their effect
3. does not cause potassium depletion and resultant hypokalemia and rarely causes an increase in serum potassium

"... an effective diuretic agent in heart failure, nephrosis, and particularly in cirrhosis and may be especially useful in refractory patients. It potentiated natriuresis of other agents and reduced the tendency for K<sup>+</sup> loss."

Laragh, J.H.; Reilly, E.B.; Stites, T.B., and Angers, M.: Fed. Proc. 20:410, 1961.

There are now more than 120 published reports with information on 'Dyrenium'. For a representative bibliography, please see SK&F literature.

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when salt intake is restricted can result in a low-salt syndrome.

Dyrenium (triamterene, SK&F) can cause mild nitrogen retention which is reversible upon withdrawal of the drug and is seldom observed with intermittent (every-other-day) therapy.

By the very nature of their illness, cirrhotics with splenomegaly sometimes have marked variations in their blood pictures. Therefore, periodic blood studies in these patients are recommended.

Although Dyrenium (triamterene, SK&F) has not proved to be a consistent hypotensive agent, the physician should be aware of a possible hypotensive effect. Concomitant use with antihypertensive drugs may result in an additive effect.

**Note on Pregnancy**

Extensive reproduction studies in animals have produced no evidence of drug-induced fetal abnormalities. However, Dyrenium (triamterene, SK&F) has had only limited use in pregnant patients and therefore, like any new drug, it should be used in pregnant patients or in women of childbearing age only when, in the judgment of the physician, its use is deemed essential to the welfare of the patient.

**SIDE EFFECTS:** There have been occasional reports of nausea and vomiting and other gastrointestinal disturbances; weakness, headache, dry mouth, and rash. Such nausea can usually be prevented by giving the drug after meals. Only rarely has it been necessary to discontinue therapy because of these side effects. It should be noted that symptoms of nausea and vomit-

ing can also be indicative of electrolyte imbalance (see precautions).

**Note on Gout and Diabetes**

In special studies, investigators found that Dyrenium (triamterene, SK&F) had little or no effect on serum uric acid levels or carbohydrate metabolism.

**ADMINISTRATION AND DOSAGE:** Adult dosage—Dosage should be adjusted according to the needs of the individual patient and his response to the drug. The usual starting dose is one capsule once or twice daily after meals. When adequate control of edema has been achieved, the patient may be maintained on one capsule daily or one capsule every other day. The total daily dosage should not exceed three capsules.

Most patients will respond to Dyrenium (triamterene, SK&F) during the first day of treatment. Maximum therapeutic effect, however, may not be seen for several days.

When required, Dyrenium (triamterene, SK&F) may be given concomitantly with other diuretics. It has been used most frequently with thiazides. When it is combined with any diuretic, total dosage should usually be lowered initially, and then adjusted to the patient's needs.

When Dyrenium (triamterene, SK&F) is added to other diuretic therapy or when patients are switched to Dyrenium (triamterene, SK&F) from other diuretics, all potassium supplementation should be discontinued.

**HOW SUPPLIED:** 100 mg. capsules, in bottles of 100.

Prescribing information July 1964



## Red Cross Supervisor At Hospital Retires

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San Francisco Sunday Chronicle  
April 11, 1965

Vera Wilkeson, Red Cross case supervisor at Oakland Naval Hospital for 17 years, retired at the end of last month.

She has been with the Red Cross for 23 years, having previously served at Torney General Hospital in Palm Springs, and the Corona Naval Hospital.

Before joining the Red Cross she worked with the Los Angeles County Welfare Department and the California State Relief Administration.

For her "exemplary performance of duty" at Oak Knoll, Miss Wilkeson received a letter of appreciation from Rear Admiral H. J. Cokeley (MC-USN), commanding officer of the hospital.

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"AH, WHAT A FALL WAS THERE . . ."

Lt. Marjorie Thompson takes Ted Payne's blood pressure

—News Call Bulletin Photo.

## A Tumbler Since 3

## Land's End Fall

## 'Best' of His Life

By Baron Muller

The surprising thing, Ted Payne discovered in falling 300 feet, was how quickly it was over.

Too quickly really to record any accurate impressions, the young sailor said today in a calm, clinical way.

Incredibly, it was almost as if Ted Payne, 18, were disappointed.

He told of his Sunday adventure at Land's End from his Oakland Naval Hospital bed, where he is recovering from a broken wrist and kneecap, hairline fracture of the forehead and a black eye.

**TED SAID** he has been falling since age 3, when he tumbled down the attic steps.

When he was 12, he dived out of a magnolia tree.

Ted had gone to Land's End with two other sailors, also based at Treasure Island, to explore San Francisco's ocean front.

Their goal was the anchorage of the Golden Gate Bridge, but to reach it, they found, they would have to climb the rocky cliff and hoof it from top-side.

Ted, the veteran climber and faller, would make the first ascent.

**IT WAS** almost straight up. As soon as he made it, clutching an outcropping of rock that too soon turned to air, he realized, as he put it, "Now I've done it."

His companions said he tumbled head over heels. He remembers trying to straighten up. He remembers seeing the ocean and the rocks—jet black—below.

Otherwise, he said there was no special sensation.

Prone on the beach floor, Ted took stock. He decided his injuries were not serious. Only his left eye, where a few blood vessels had burst, was watery. He was rescued by helicopter.

One suspects that Ted Payne was grinning then, as he was in his hospital bed.

## Fat Stays On With a Fast Diet

Chicago

The quickest and easiest way to trim off excess pounds is to stop eating entirely, but a United States Navy medical team reported yesterday that the bulk of such weight reduction is through the loss of lean tissue rather than fat.

"Although clinically desirable weight reduction occurs during fasting, it is at the expense of lean tissue, which (weight loss) is physiologically undesirable," Lieutenant Commander Fred L. Benoit told the golden anniversary session of the American College of Physicians.

Working with a group of seven male patients whose average weight was more than 250 pounds, the Benoit team deprived some of them of food for ten days, placed them on a more normal balanced diet for four days and then had them follow a low-calorie, high-fat diet for ten days. The steps were reversed for the remaining patients.

Tests made at intervals showed that of an average of about 20 pounds shed during the fasting period, 65 per cent represented lean tissue loss and 35 per cent body fat loss.

In contrast, the patients lost an average of about 13 pounds in weight during the low-calorie, high-fat diet period. Only 3 per cent of this amount was lean tissue while 97 per cent of the weight loss was fat.

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## Oakland Naval Hospital

OAKLAND, Calif. — From casual to cocktail—were modeled by the Naval Hospital Officers' wives at their March luncheon meeting. Models were Mrs. H. W. S. Huseby, Mrs. L. J. Phelps, Mrs. G. F. Baker, and Mrs. J. F. Rosborough. Luncheon tables carried out the theme with plastic detergent bottles cleverly transformed into shapely dressmaking forms. Mrs. R. C. Colgrove was commentator for the show. Wives of Pathology, Radiology, Urology, and MSC officers were hostesses.

## Oak Knoll Officers' Wives Offer \$300 Scholarships

The Officers' Wives Club of the Oakland Naval Hospital, for the second consecutive year, will award two \$300 scholarships. The awards will be announced in June.

Applicants for the grants must be dependent children, legally adopted children, or stepchildren of officers (chief warrant or above) in the Medical, Dental, Medical Service, or Chaplain Corps of the Navy. If the officer is on active duty, he must be serving in the 12th Naval District at the time the application is submitted. If the officer is retired or deceased, his last duty station must have been within this area.

Scholarships are to be used at academic institutions of higher learning or at accredited schools of nursing.

High school graduating seniors and students now engaged in undergraduate study at the college level are eligible. Former applicants may reapply.

Winners will be selected on the basis of scholarship and merit, with financial need considered only in case of equally worthy applicants.

Application forms may be obtained by writing: Scholarship Chairman, Officers' Wives Club, c/o Administrative Officer, U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California 94627.

The deadline for mailing applications is May 20.

## BRONZE STAR MEDAL AWARDED TO LT RICHARD R. SHULTZ

On 21 January 1965, LT Richard R. Shultz MC USNR, was presented the Bronze Star Medal for service as set forth in the following CITATION:

For meritorious achievement during the period 12 October 1963 to 1 July 1964 while serving with Station Hospital, Headquarters Support Activity,



## Metropolitan News Section

Oakland Tribune

SUNDAY, APRIL 25, 1965 17

Eastbay's Economic Giant  
— The Defense Business

By TOM FLYNN

**Tribune Military Writer**  
A young crewcut pilot in powder blue flight suit and light tan boots races across the concrete runway in the dark for the cockpit of his jet fighter during an alert at Hamilton Air Force Base.

In Oakland, perspiration stains the blue workshirt of a warehouseman as he strains under the weight of a propeller shaft being readied for shipment overseas from the Naval Supply Center.

A nurse at Letterman Hospital in the Presidio wipes the brow

of an Army surgeon who pauses in his probing for a sliver of metal deeply imbedded in the chest of a young soldier during a freakish machine shop accident.

A few miles away out on San Francisco Bay, a small Coast Guard patrol boat out of Government Island batters a path through the choppy cold waters to where four men cling to the sides of their swamped cabin cruiser.

## RESCUE DRAMA

In an office on nearby Treasure Island, a Navy sailor, unaware of the rescue drama that is unfolding outside, sorts through the data input of a chain of underwater sonar devices that "listen" along the California coast for the sounds of enemy submarines and electronically feed their findings into the naval headquarters building.

A Marine sentry at Alameda Naval Air Station's back gate, alone with his thoughts of home or of a warm barracks or of a hot cup of coffee, stamps his feet in an unrewarding effort to stave off the creeping, wet chill that works its way into his boots.

## VAST COMPLEX

From Oakland to Concord, from Sunnyvale to Treasure Island to Fairfield, a thousand such scenes unfold as the night wears on.

This is the military in the Bay Area.

It is a vast, sprawling corporation that owns more land, hires more people and spends more money than any other business in Northern California.

Much of the energies and activities of this corporate structure are devoted to the logistical support of the U.S. forces in the Pacific and Far East.

The cornerstones of this support are deeply entrenched in

the Bay Area, and especially in the Eastbay.

## BAY CORNERSTONE

Oakland Army Terminal; Oakland Naval Supply Center, the Concord Naval Weapons Station, the giant aircraft overhaul and repair facility at Alameda Naval Air Station, Travis Air Force Base, Naval shipyards at Hunters Point and Mare Island, and a scattering of Defense Supply installations.

The complex spends big money, and the money it spends is yours: a nice round even 50 per cent of every dollar you pay in Federal income taxes.

## HUGE OUTLAY

It pays thousands of salaries and purchases literally millions of items.

Big B-52 bombers for Travis Air Force Base, scalpels for Oakland Naval Hospital, fuel oil for Alameda's four aircraft carriers, carpeting for an admiral's office on Treasure Island, traffic signs for the Presidio, a radar screen at Hamilton Air Force Base...

By its sheer size and diversity, the list — and the military it supplies — staggers the imagination.

U. S. military land holdings in the Bay Area are roughly equivalent in size to the entire city of Oakland.

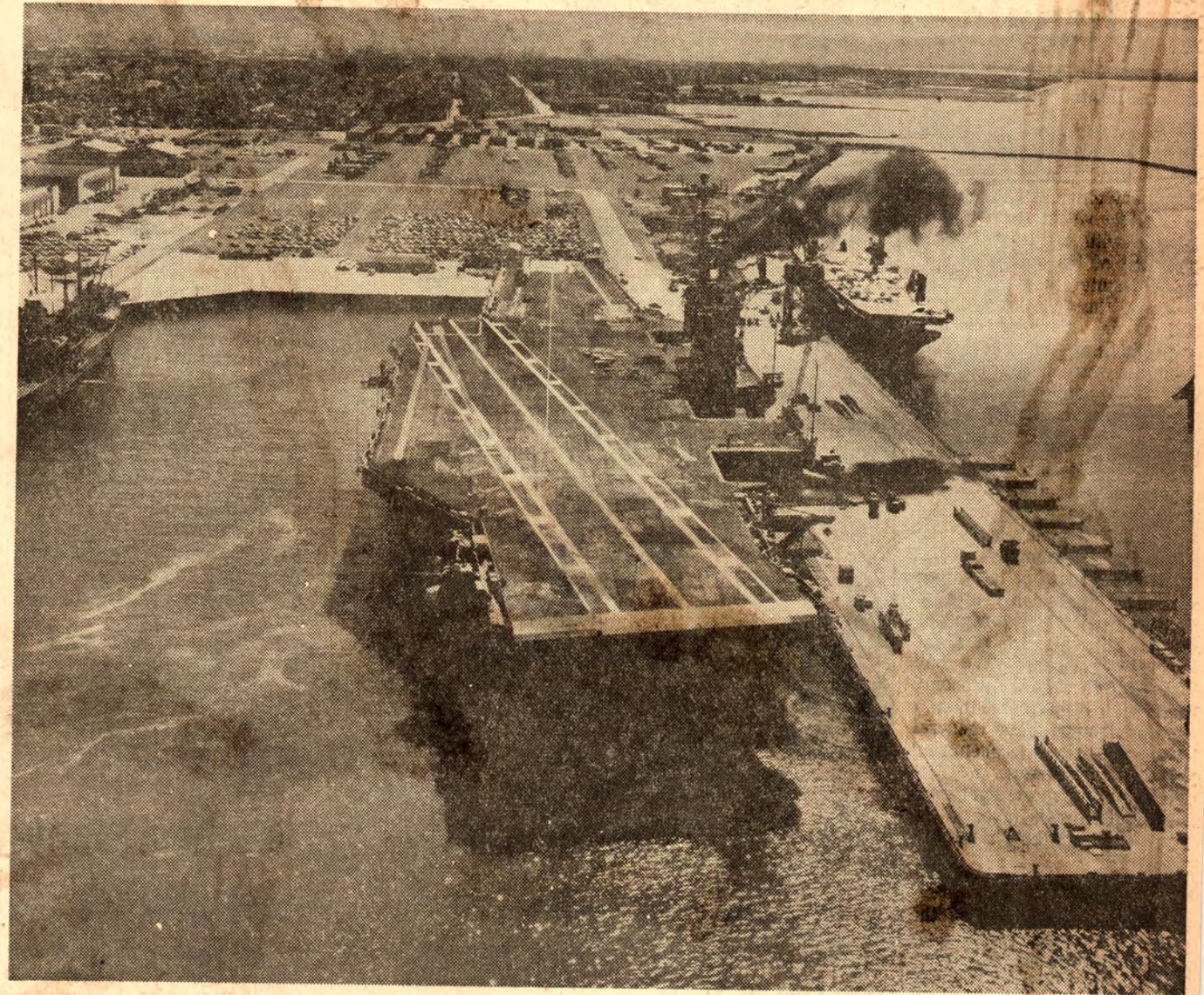
## 100,000 EMPLOYED

The aircraft repair facility at Alameda Naval Air Station is the biggest single industry in Alameda County.

The services directly employ over 100,000 persons and disburse well more than \$2 billion a year in salaries and operating expenditures.

How much of this money from taxpayers eventually finds its way back into his pocket is a matter of constant debate.

There are those who argue



Aircraft carrier Ranger, one of four home-ported in Alameda, rests at anchor.

that the economic impact of the military structure in the nine Bay counties is profound.

## ECONOMIC DISPUTE

And there are as many who say that the military keeps thousands of acres of land off local tax rolls, land they believe would be a better revenue producer were it developed privately.

For some 35 years, the growth of the Armed Services in California has provided a deposit of economic topsoil from which have sprung hundreds of businesses, entire towns and the live-

lihoods of thousands of men, women and children.

## STABILITY QUESTIONED

What some fear is that the military structure has provided, albeit unintentionally, an unstable base for this related economic development, leaving the area tottering dangerously like an ill-planned house built on sand.

A major reduction in the size of the military here could send the house crashing.

And, indeed, there seems some justification for this belief.

Civic leaders in Vallejo and

San Francisco spent many an anxious moment last year while Defense Secretary Robert McNamara pondered which of the nation's 11 naval shipyards he would close.

Mare Island employs more than 10,000 civilian workers; Hunters Point a total of nearly 7,000.

Luckily, both were spared the Defense Department economy axe.

## JOB SURVEY

U.S. Chamber of Commerce studies have shown that every

100 such jobs provide an area with 350 new residents, 100 new households, three retail businesses, and 65 additional secondary

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ADM. JOHN TAYLOR, NAVY'S HEAD MAN HERE  
He runs 12th Naval District, other activities.

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Military Building  
For California

## Washington

Projects in the \$1,934,927,000 military construction authorization bill approved by the House armed services committee Tuesday included \$108 million for California.

Major California projects are:

ARMY—Fl. Irwin, \$4,741,000; Presidio of Monterey, \$3,046,000; Presidio of San Francisco, \$1,299,000; Two Rock Ranch Station, \$385,000.

NAVY—Naval Air Station, Alameda, \$1,284,000; Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, \$8,487,000; Naval Weapons Station, Concord, \$609,000; Mare Island, \$1,129,000; Naval Schools Command, Mare Island, \$432,000; Naval Air Station, Moffett Field, \$476,000; Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, \$2,140,000; Naval Hospital, Oakland, \$673,000; Naval Supply Center, Oakland, \$590,000; Pacific Missile Range, Point Mugu, \$2,480,000; Naval Communication Station, San Francisco (Stockton), \$1,518,000; Naval Shipyard, San Francisco, \$450,000; Naval Schools Command, Treasure Island, \$3,302,000; Naval Station Treasure Island, \$2,594,000.

AIR FORCE—Beale AFB, Marysville, \$1,839,000; Castle AFB, Merced, \$389,000; Hamilton AFB, San Rafael, \$1,297,000; Mather AFB, Sacramento, \$2,933,000; McClellan AFB, Sacramento, \$49,966,000; Travis AFB, Fairfield, \$3,319,000.

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## Admiral Moring

Funeral services will be held in Alameda for Rear Admiral Travis S. Moring, retired member of the Naval Medical Corps, who died Monday in Oakland Naval Hospital following a long illness. He was 72.

Admiral Moring, a resident of Monterey, served in the Marine Corps Sixth Machine Gun Battalion in France during World War I. He received the Croix de Guerre, Navy Cross and Purple Heart.

During World War II he served in the Pacific theater. He retired in 1947.

Admiral Moring is survived by his wife, Marguerite, and a brother, John L. of Alabama.

Services will be held in Abbeville, Ala. Local arrangements are under the direction of Albert Engel & Co., 3630 Telegraph avenue, Oakland.



## Veterans' Hospital Committee Gets an Early Start on Christmas Drive

Christmas begins in April for the nine officers of the Veterans Hospitals' Christmas Committee who were re-elected this week.

Bryant E. King begins his sec-

ond year as president of the group which plans and coordinates the program to provide decorations, entertainment and gifts for hospitalized veterans and servicemen in Alameda

County. Miss Mary Valle was re-elected secretary-treasurer of the committee, and vice presidents Thomas Mullen and Allan Strutz were returned to office.

Felix Chialvo, John Groom, Paul Manolis, Joseph Tofanelli and Mrs. John Young were re-elected directors of the 41-year-old committee.

Commanding officers Adm. H.

J. Cokely of the U.S. Naval Hospital in Oakland and Lester Knott of Livermore's Veterans Administration Hospital expressed their appreciation on behalf of their patients for the

work of the committee last Christmas.

The financial report showed a balance of \$3,384 with which the committee will begin its 42nd campaign.

### ISOMETRIC EXERCISES FOR THE UPPER-EXTREMITY STUMP

CDR Marion D. Bates, MSC USN and LCDR Joseph C. Honet, MC USNR\*.

The importance of exercises designed to strengthen the stumps of amputees is well known. Many such programs have been proposed.<sup>1-3</sup> This report presents a method of strengthening the stump musculature in upper-extremity amputees, utilizing an isometric exercise technique.

The only equipment used is an aluminum elevated platform with a foam rubber leatherette upholstered cover, 13 x 7 x 3 inches, commercially called a quadriceps rest. Other similar devices may be substituted, such as a modified foot stool or canvas-covered sandbags. The exercises are performed on a firm surface, e.g., floor mat, padded plinth, or carpeted floor. Each exercise is performed ten times at least twice daily. Every muscular contraction is held for five seconds and followed by five seconds of complete relaxation.

The positions used for muscular strengthening are adapted from Daniels, Williams, and Worthingham.<sup>4</sup> The exercises may be adapted for the shoulder abductor, flexor, extensor, rotator, and horizontal abductor and adductor muscles.

\* Commander Bates is Chief Physical Therapist, Physical Medicine Service, U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California. Lieutenant Commander Honet is Chief, Physical Medicine Service, U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California.



CAPT. RUTH A. ERICKSON, director of the Navy Nurse Corps, is in the Bay area for the National League for Nursing convention and to take part in Oakland Naval Hospital's celebration of the 57th anniversary of the Navy Nurse Corps.

This method of strengthening the musculature of upper-extremity amputees by means of isometric exercises has several apparent advantages. The exercises can be performed easily and simply with a minimum of equipment. Supervision can be provided for several patients at one time, if necessary. The exercises can be learned readily by the patient and then can be performed independently at home. It should be stressed that initial instruction with adequate supervision is necessary before releasing the patient for home therapy, and periodic rechecks under supervision are advisable.

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## Armed Forces Day, May 15

"Power For Peace," the Armed Forces Day slogan for the past 11 years, is the theme again for the May 15, 1965, observance.

Open house for the civilian public will be the principal feature of the annual display of U. S. military might.

Among Twelfth Naval District participants are:

**Mare Island** and its tenant activities, where Open House will include tours, displays and exhibits.

**San Francisco Naval Shipyard**, where there will be tours of productive shops with work in progress. Computers and other equipment will be demonstrated. Visitors may also go on board a submarine, a destroyer, and carriers.

**The Naval Air Station, Alameda**, will coordinate its Open House with COMFAIRALAMEDA squadrons and one or more aircraft carriers.

**Naval Hospital, Oakland**. Open House from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the departments of Navy Prosthetic Research, Physical and Occupational Therapy, Radiology, and Clinical Investigation Center.

**At the Naval Reserve Training Center, San Francisco Naval Shipyard**, Open House will be on the Reserve Training Submarine USS DENTUDA.

A sea-power presentation will be part of the Open House at the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps Reserve Training Center, Treasure Island.

## 5000 Nurses Are Here

More than 5000 are expected to attend the eighth biennial convention of the National League for Nursing to be held here today through Friday.

Convention sessions will be held in the Civic Auditorium and the Hilton Hotel.

Focus of the five-day meeting will be on commitment to action for better nursing service and education.

Keynote speaker at today's opening session will be Samuel B. Gould, president of New York State University.

Other speakers will include Dr. John D. Porterfield, co-ordinator of medical and health science, University of California; Homer C. Wadsworth, president of the Kansas City Board of Education; Larry Ronson, First National Bank of Hawaii; Whitney M. Young Jr., executive director of the National Urban League; and Dr. Philip R. Lee of the Agency for International Development.

Mark Berke, director of Mt. Zion Hospital, will moderate a panel discussion on "Trans-Action To-



CAPT. RUTH A. ERICKSON, director of the Navy Nurse Corps, is in San Francisco to attend the National League for Nursing convention. She will address this morning's breakfast session on "Current Status of the Navy Nurse Corps."

day for Better Nursing Tomorrow" tomorrow morning.





LT. ELEANOR DRUMMOND WITH PATIENT  
... she's assigned to neurosurgery ward



ENSIGN JILL THOMAS WITH INFANT  
... tender loving care typifies profession

## Navy Nurses' Birthday

By LOUISE WRIGHT

Oak Knoll nurses are joining other Navy nurses from Naples to Viet Nam in celebrating the 57th anniversary of their corps.

The official day is Thursday, but Oakland Naval Hospital had its celebration early to coincide with Capt. Ruth Erickson's visit from Washington, D.C.

As director of the 2,000-member Navy Nurse Corps, Capt. Erickson was guest of honor at Wednesday's cocktail buffet in Oak Knoll Officers Club, a ceremonious occasion with 350 persons in attendance.

She cut the anniversary cake with a sword loaned by Rear Admiral Harold J. Cokely, the commanding officer, an "op-

eration" assisted by junior officers and supervised by Comdr. Veronica Bulsheski, acting as official hostess.

There from out of town, besides the NNC director, were three chief nurses—Capt. Alberta Burke of San Diego Naval Hospital, Comdr. Elizabeth Feeney of U.S. Naval Hospital in Yokosuka, Japan, and Comdr. Marian Gaeser of U.S. Naval Hospital in Bethesda, Md.

Although the Navy Nurse Corps didn't come into being until 1908, it was thought of as far back as 1811 when Dr. William P. C. Barton, a young Navy surgeon who later became first chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, recommended to the Secretary of Navy that hospitals be staffed by young women.

"Nurses," he wrote, "should be women of humane disposition and tender manners, active and healthy, without vices of any description—and are to attend with fidelity and care upon all sick committed to their charge."

That was nine years before Florence Nightingale's birth and 97 years before President Taft signed the bill establishing the Nurse Corps as an integral part of the United States Navy.

At the time 20 pompadoured young ladies with floor-sweeping white dresses were on duty, each earning the magnificent sum of \$40 a month (today the lowliest ensign receives \$241.20).

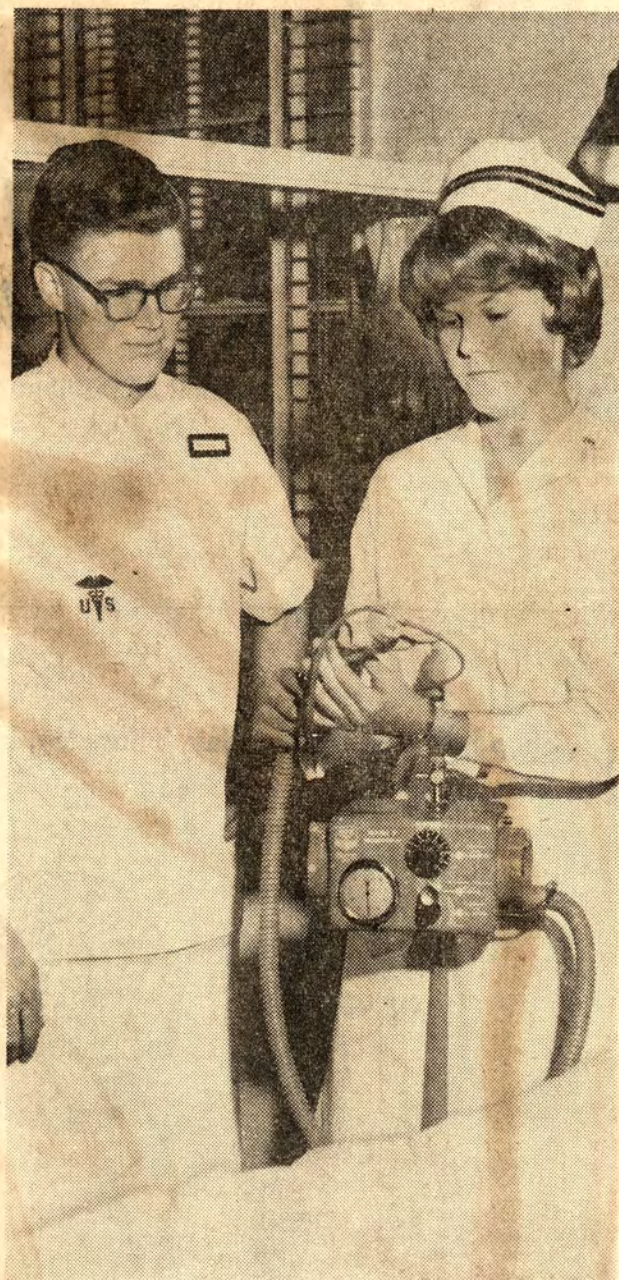
Oak Knoll's nursing history parallels that of the corps. From the nine who helped prepare for the 1942 commissioning, the staff reached a pinnacle in 1945 with 460 nurses caring for 6,000 patients. Today 112 Navy and 30 civilian nurses serve an average patient load of 650.

Navy nurses are stationed wherever dispensaries require naval personnel, aboard transport ships carrying military personnel and dependents, at 26 U.S. and overseas hospitals in such places as Japan, Guam, Guantanamo Bay and Cuba.

Six received the Purple Heart for wounds suffered in recent Vietnamese bombings.



CAPT. RUTH ERICKSON  
... guest of honor



ENSIGN SALLY FALK OF OAK KNOLL  
... instructs hospital corpsman

## World of Women

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## World of Women

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### Robin Orr

... The Social Circle ...

ing the club calls home is older than the club itself. The late Mrs. Hearst's country home was called Hacienda del Poso de Verona when she lived there.

NEW ORLEANS and Memphis, Tenn., were on the itinerary of Rear Adm. and Mrs. Harold Jay Cokely of Oakland Naval Hospital when they flew off Sunday.

The commanding officer of the Oakland hospital is attending the four-day annual meeting of the American Urological Association in New Orleans this week, while Mrs. Cokely attends the social sessions that are concomitant with such meetings.

After the New Orleans meeting, the couple planned to go to Mrs. Cokely's home city of Memphis, Tenn., for the celebration of her mother's ninetieth birthday.

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## Bill Fiset

... Man Alive ...

The sight of the week must be the Navy captain, in full uniform, who industriously pedals a bicycle along Mountain Boulevard near Oakland Naval Hospital. One wag suggested the Navy is economizing with its transportation for the brass, but I'd guess it's probably the hospital's heart specialist, on a Paul Dudley White kick ... Sears is holding a fancy fashion show at Disneyland and inviting fashion experts to attend. Our Nora Hampton couldn't say no. Her invitation came from Sears—Ernest Arms.

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May 26, 1965

## Skippers in the Spotlight



SON OF A METHODIST MINISTER, HAROLD JAY COKELY WAS BORN IN PICKERING, MO. FEB. 9, 1906. AS A BOY HE WORKED AS A FARMHAND AND HE SUPPLEMENTED HIS FOOTBALL PRE-MED SCHOLARSHIP AT MISSOURI WESLEYAN BY WAITING ON TABLES AND COOKING AROUND THE CAMPUS. HE'S A GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI AND THE JEFFERSON MEDICAL COLLEGE.

COMMISSIONED IN 1931, HE HAS SERVED AT EVERY MAJOR NAVAL HOSPITAL, AND HIS SEA DUTY INCLUDES TOURS WITH THE YANGTZE PATROL AND IN THE USS RANGER, Des Div 71, AND THE USS RELIEF. HE WAS CO OF THE SAN DIEGO NAVAL HOSPITAL BEFORE TAKING HIS PRESENT POST.

THE ADMIRAL SHOOT, SKEET AND TRAP, AND IS AN ENTHUSIASTIC BIRD HUNTER. DEEP SEA FISHING IS ANOTHER FAVORITE HOBBY. HE ENJOYS WALKING IN THE HILLS AROUND HIS QUARTERS WITH THE FAMILY PET, A DACHSHUND NAMED FRITZ.

ADM. COKELY'S WIFE IS THE FORMER OPAL HOWARD OF MEMPHIS, TENN. HE HAS A STEPDAUGHTER, VIOLET JANE (STEPHENSON) QUARTARAO, WHOSE HUSBAND IS A NAVY LIEUTENANT COMMANDER ON THE CINCPAC STAFF. ADM. COKELY IS A DIPLOMATE OF THE AMERICAN BOARD OF UROLOGY, A FELLOW OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS, AND A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN UROLOGICAL ASSOCIATION.



Rear Adm.  
Harold J. Cokely (MC)  
COMMANDING OFFICER  
U.S. NAVAL HOSPITAL  
OAKLAND, CALIF.

Navy Times



*Fashion*

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BRIGHT paisley print gives reptile look to funnily fashionable stockings and blouse with coral linen mini-skirt, shoes from Riviera, worn under ancient heather tree.



CRISP LINEN banded for contrast, Shannon Rogers for Jerry Silverman is for the likes of Dorry Coppoletta.



SHE BOUGHT fine black embroidered silk in France, had dress made in Hong Kong; it's a world traveller and Jay's favorite.

## Woman at Home

"After interviewing Churchill and deGaulle; knowing Clare Booth Luce and Fleur Cowles; living in Europe and the Orient and South America, you must find it awfully dull here with us," say the students.

"You are the most fascinating people in the world," answers teacher Dorry Coppoletta. And her vital, "unstructured" relationship with journalism students at Oakland Technical High School offers convincing proof of the statement.

Further testimony to her effectively sincere involvement with education of teenagers: she has just been appointed under the National Defense Education Act to participate in an institute for secondary teachers to be held for six weeks next summer at San Francisco State College; been named to the presidency of the National Journalism

Educational Association, Western Area; last summer was sent by the Wall Street Journal's Newspaper Fund to the University of Minnesota for a six weeks session on how to use daily newspapers as a teaching device.

Dorry has been involved with journalism since her junior year at Cal, when Mademoiselle bought a short story she had written and—

impressed with ideas it expressed—called her in to New York for consultation. After some work with them, she went to the Woman's Home Companion as beauty editor, later became fashion and beauty editor of Photoplay magazine in Hollywood.

It was as editor of NATO news, working out of Southern European Command headquarters in Naples, that Dorry

became involved with education. She was made head of the Women's Press Corps of NATO — a task force in readiness to take over communications in case of emergency. Having to teach this multi-lingual group, including women from every NATO country of wildly varying ages and backgrounds, she found she loved teaching. Her experience was broadened, inter-

est deepened, when Clare Luce (then United States Ambassador to Italy) named her publicity director for the Conference of American Women in Europe sponsored by our State Department. No matter what the title, Dorry found herself always teaching, teaching, teaching.

So when her doctor husband, Captain Joseph M. Coppoletta, Continued on Page 8-F



MEDITERRANEAN colors in floral print chiffon over silk. Dorry's suggestion for Allegro Ball.

## Woman at Home

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was assigned to Oak Knoll and she was once again near the Cal campus, Dorry went back for her senior year, continued for an MA, was selected under a Ford Grant program to revitalize the journalism department at Tech.

Meanwhile, in her private role as Mrs. Coppoletta, the glamorous girl with the rusty gold hair was having a glorious time restoring the family home in Piedmont to its original decor.

The Coppolettas had fallen in love with an ancient heather tree—bought it and the house it shelters—one of the several times the Navy couple lived briefly in this area — planned one day to return to it. His Oak Knoll assignment and 1963 retirement gave them the chance. He promptly went back to school (enrolled at the California College of Arts and Crafts) to satisfy a long nourished desire to study art — but between classes, his and hers, they

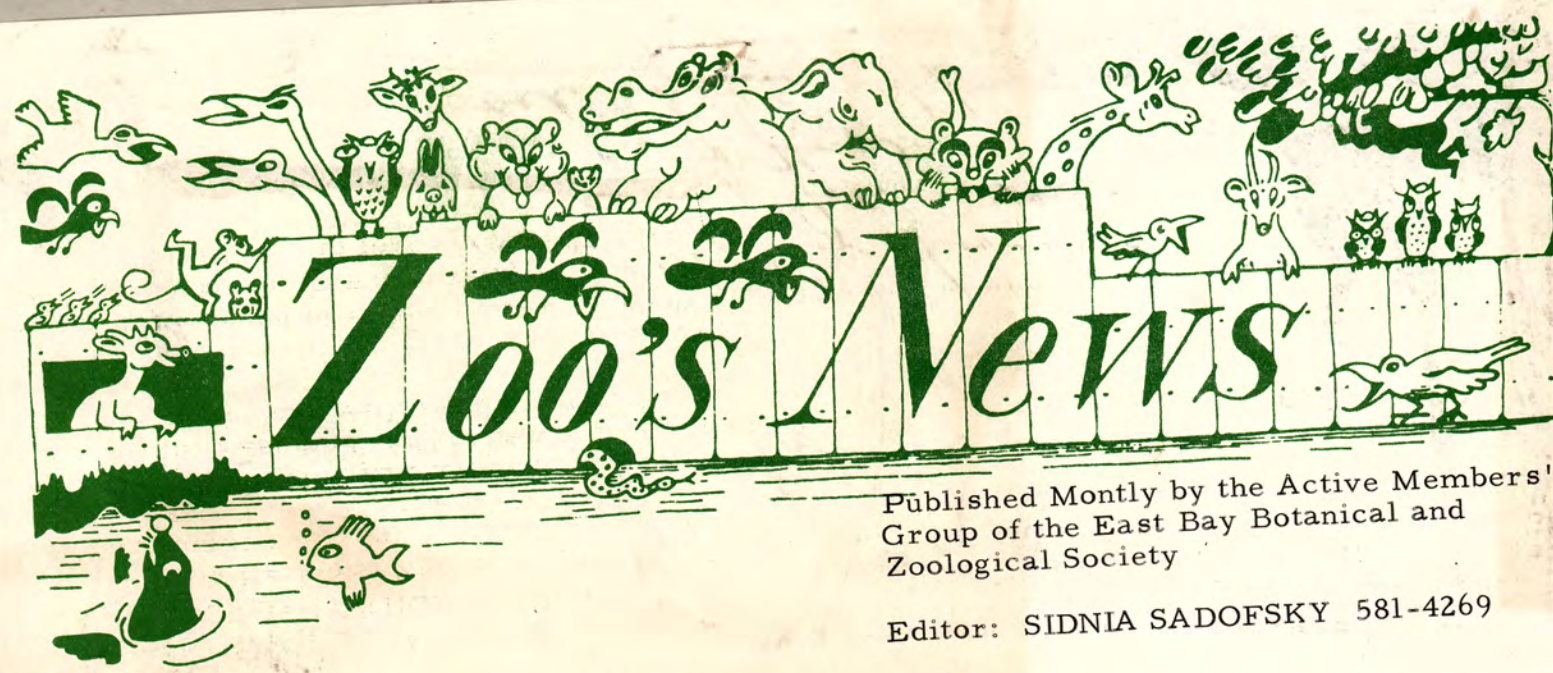
worked on the house. It was built in the year 1905 (before the San Francisco earthquake) by an Englishman who duplicated the English Inn where he and his bride had honeymooned long before, and planted a similar garden—including the heather tree.

Dorry's numerous involvements quite naturally include a continuing one with fashion. She loves the rich colors used by Old Masters in their paintings; as a former beauty editor knows every woman can wear any color if she adjusts her make up; takes it for granted that clothes will be chosen first for comfort and suitability, never worn without beauty.

Joseph Magnin dressed Mrs. Joseph Coppoletta, true to her fashion, for today's Woman at Home.



BLACK PATENT rose on collar of stone silk dress, matching linen hat, for Dorry's gallery-going.



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THIS N' THAT ... A special note of welcome to the U. S. Naval Hospital via ZOO'S NEWS! MISS DOROTHY THOMPSON, Public Information Officer at Oak Knoll is now getting the scoop on Park and Zoo activities and the Society looks forward to personally welcoming Oak Knollites to our affairs. Hope to see many of you soon!



## Navy Will Commission Ship Today

The Navy will commission its newest warship in a colorful ceremony at San Francisco Naval Shipyard today in observance of Armed Forces Day.

The USS Bradley, a sleek destroyer escort designed for anti-submarine warfare, will take her place with the Pacific Fleet at 1:30 p.m. after the ceremonies are concluded.

Among the speakers participating in the commissioning will be Lieutenant Governor Glenn M. Anderson.

The 3400-ton vessel, armed with a variety of weapons including anti-submarine rockets, is named in honor of Captain Willis W. Bradley, who, in 1917, earned the Congressional Medal of Honor while serving aboard the cruiser USS Pittsburgh.

He died in 1954 after retiring from the service.

The shipyard will be open to the public from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. today and visitors will have an opportunity to board several vessels, including the carriers USS Ranger and USS Ticonderoga, the guided missile destroyer USS Providence, the destroyer USS Cowell, and the submarine USS Dentada.

The Navy will also hold public open house at Treasure Island, Alameda Naval Air Station, the Naval Supply Center at Oakland, and the Naval Hospital at Oakland, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Mare Island Naval Shipyard at Vallejo will be open to the public between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Other Bay Area military installations open houses today include Hamilton Air Force Base, beginning at 9:30 a.m., and the Oakland Army Terminal, beginning at 10 a.m.

Travis Air Force Base near Fairfield, Solano county, will hold open house tomorrow.

## Armed Forces Day Weapons Display

The sophisticated new weapons of jet-age warfare were rolled out into public view under sunny skies Saturday while a tired veteran of another war limped under the Golden Gate Bridge to start a new career.

Thousands of Bay Area residents took advantage of the perfect weather to visit military installations in the area for Armed Forces Day.

While they watched thundering jets and the launching of a new destroyer escort vessel, only a few were on hand to see the gray hulk of the World War II aircraft carrier Bunker Hill.

The 888-foot long flat-top has been sleeping in mothballs for 20 years at Bremerton, Wash. She has been brought to San Francisco to be turned into an electronics research vessel.

When the work is finished at the San Francisco Naval Shipyard, she will be stationed at San Diego.

The Bunker Hill's fighting planes destroyed 700 aircraft and 140,000 tons of enemy ship-

ping during the war.

She sustained severe damage in May, 1945, when she was hit by two kamikaze planes off Japan.

Her deckload of planes was set afire, 392 men were killed and 264 were injured.

But she managed to stay afloat and limp 6,000 miles to Seattle for repairs.

At Hunter's Point, a new destroyer, the USS Bradley, was commissioned.

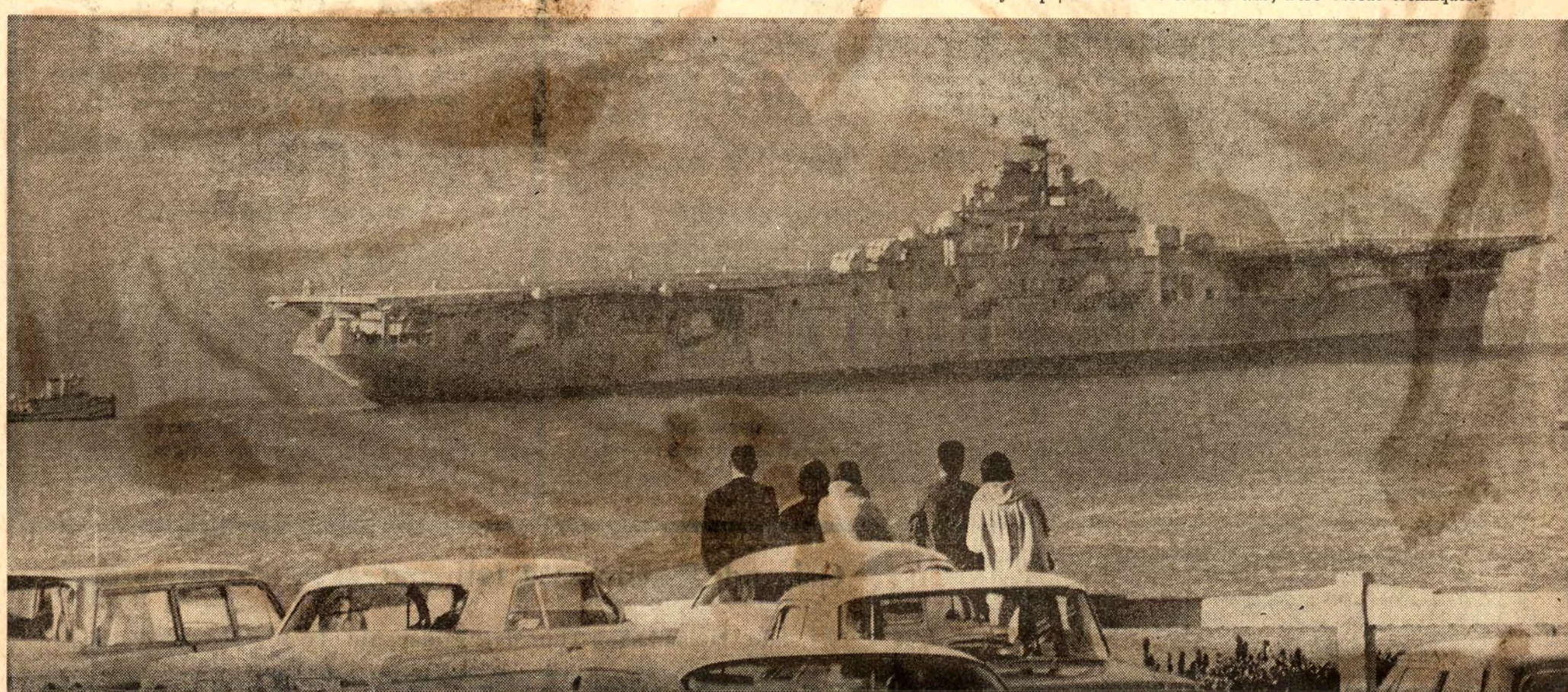
Two aircraft carriers, veterans of the Viet Nam war, were

on view with a missile cruiser and a submarine.

The carriers USS Ranger and USS Ticonderoga were open to the public.

At Alameda Naval Air Station, open house was held throughout the day, and also at Oakland Naval Hospital, Hamilton AFB, Travis AFB, and Treasure Island.

Oakland Naval Supply Center had the USS Mitchell open to the public all day, and at Government Island, the Coast Guard demonstrated helicopter rescue techniques.



A handful of spectators watched from the Presidio as the 27,000-ton World War II aircraft Bunker Hill was towed under the Golden Gate to begin a new life.

## Armed Forces Day Observed By Thousands

Thousands of Bay Area residents turned out under sunny skies today to observe Armed Forces Day at military installations which held open house from early this morning.

The commissioning of a new destroyer escort vessel, the USS Bradley, was the principal Armed Forces Day event here, at 1:45 p.m. in the San Francisco Naval Shipyard at Hunter's Point. Two veteran aircraft carriers from the Viet Nam war, the USS Ranger and USS Ticonderoga, were open to the public.

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## Bay Armed Forces Day

Everything will be shipshape tomorrow and Sunday when the U.S. military services invite the public aboard installations and ships in the Bay Area in observance of Armed Forces Day.

Oakland and Alameda will welcome visitors to its U.S. Navy bases but the principal observance will be at the San Francisco Naval Shipyard at Hunters Point.

The destroyer escort USS Bradley will be commissioned there at 1:45 p.m. Two veterans of the Viet Nam war, the carriers USS Ranger and USS Ticonderoga, will be open to the public. Also open will be the guided missile cruiser USS Providence, the destroyer USS Cowell and the submarine USS Dentada.

Treasure Island naval shipyard will have the "Welcome" sign out from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with the radar picket ship Intrepid ready for guests.

Hamilton Air Force Base, opening its gates to the public at 9:30 a.m., will feature a diverse program including parachute jumps by 15 Army paratroopers at 11 a.m. and again at 3 a.m., and a massed flyover about the same times by F-101 fighters and C-119 and C-123 transports.

The nation's newest transport, the C-141 Starlifter, will be on display at Travis Air Force Base during its open house from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Travis also plans to conduct demonstrations by Strategic Air Command sentry dogs, firefight-

ers and crash rescue teams. A shooting gallery and hand gun display will be sponsored by the base air police.

At Government Island, a Coast Guard helicopter will demonstrate rescue techniques by plucking a "survivor" out of the Oakland Estuary at 2 p.m. Saturday.

The Coast Guard base, open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., also plans tours of two of its cutters and several small patrol boats.

The Alameda Naval Air Station will have open house from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with guided tours.

At the Oakland Naval Hospital visitors will be greeted from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and may go through the prosthetic research laboratory and the therapy, ra-

diology and clinical investigation departments.

Oakland Naval Supply Center will have the Military Sea Transportation Service ship the USS Mitchell "parked" and open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

At Mare Island Naval Shipyard at Vallejo bus tours will leave the main gate every 10 minutes from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with the submarine USS Pampanito ready for public viewing.

Marine Corps units at Mare Island will stage demonstrations including machine gun firings and hand grenade practice.

Guided tours of the troop ship USNS Mitchell will be featured during the Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. open house at the Oakland Army Terminal. Band concerts also are scheduled.

## 'Well-Indoctrinated Recruit'



THE YOUNG RECRUIT, Richard Blankenship, is being sworn into the Navy by his father, Lt. William L. Blankenship, (MSC) who was recovering from surgery at the Oakland, Calif., Naval Hospital. Looking on are Rear Adm. Harold J. Cokely, hospital commanding officer, and L. G. Parham, chief machinist's mate, Hayward, Calif., Navy Recruiting Office. Young Richard, 19, said he's "been Navy all of my life."

## Marine War Leader In Oakland

Major General Lewis W. Walt, Marine Corps commander in Vietnam, visited with wounded Vietnam war veterans yesterday in the Oakland Naval Hospital.

The general, fresh from meetings with President Johnson and military leaders in Washington, stopped at the hospital on his way back to the battle front.

Yesterday, he personally awarded a Purple Heart medal to Sergeant Lyle R. Trotter, 21, of Wenatchee, Wash. Sergeant Trotter lost both legs in a land mine explosion in the Chu Lai region of South Vietnam on November 30. A corporal then, he was a squad leader with the 1st battalion of the 7th Marines.

"The only way in the world a man can get one of these," the General said as he pinned the medal on the sergeant's hospital jacket, "is on the battlefield. God bless you."



UNUSUAL CEREMONY . . . Richard W. Blankenship, center, joined the Navy recently in a room at Oakland Naval Hospital, where his father, Lt. William L. Blankenship, Medical Service Corps, administered the oath. The senior Blankenship was a John

recovering from surgery. Looking on, from left, Rear Admiral Harold J. Cokely, commanding officer of the hospital, and Chief Machinist's Mate L. G. Parham of the Naval Recruiting Office in Hayward.

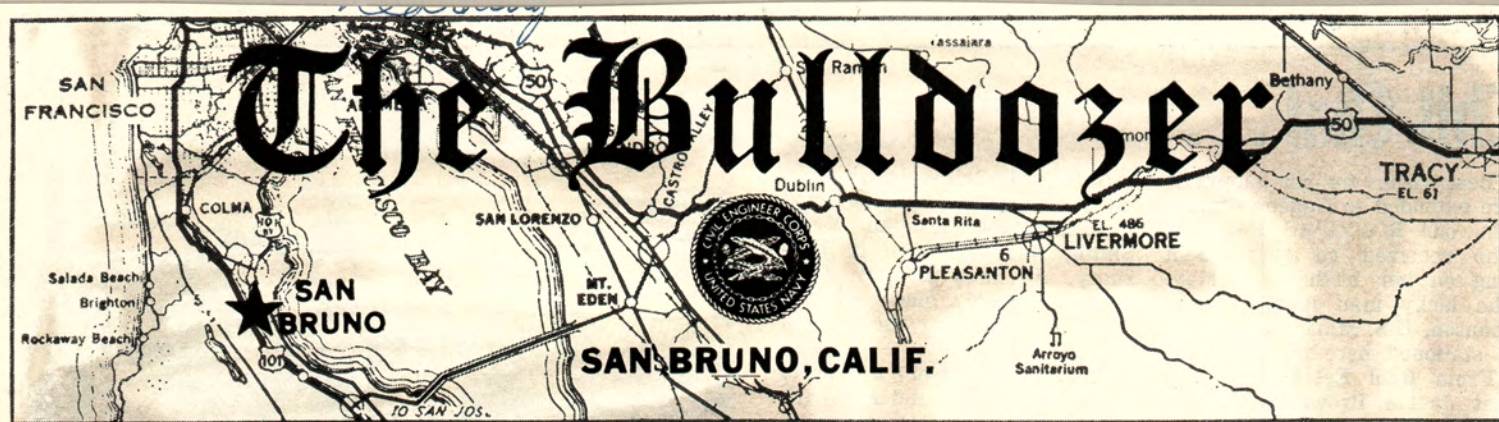
## Armed Forces Roster



## Builder of New Navy Hospital Sets Up Office

Lt. Comdr. John A. Wright, present Oakland Naval Hospital site, has reported to the construction of the new permanent hospital to be built on the replace redwood structures which have housed the hospital since 1942. A graduate in civil engineering from the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, Wright reported after a year in Vietnam and Thailand where he was officer in charge of Navy "Seabee" technical assistance teams engaged in construction of military facilities.

A native of Platte, S.D., he and his wife Marilyn live at 8084 Greenridge Drive.



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### LCDR Wright, ROICC, Naval Hosp.



LCDR John A. Wright, CEC, USN, Resident Officer in Charge of Construction at the Naval Hospital in Oakland, is a veteran of South Vietnam and Thailand, where he commanded the Seabee Technical Assistance Team detachments. He came to WESTDOCKS 5 April from COMCBPAC Pearl Harbor, after service of more than six years, all told, in the Pacific and the Far East.

John Wright was born in Sioux City, Iowa. In 1952, he graduated from the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology with a B.S. in Civil Engineering, married, and was commissioned.

He attended OCS at Newport, R.I. and CEC Officers School at Port Hueneme. Until the end of 1956, his Navy service was in North and South Carolina—DPWO-6ND at Charleston, Marine Corps Air Station at Cherry Point, and NAAS, Edenton.

In December 1956, he went as PWO to the Naval Administrative Unit at Saipan. Eighteen months later, a lieutenant, he

returned to CECOS as division director and instructor. In May 1960, he was assigned to Mobile Construction Battalion Three, Okinawa. He returned to the U.S. for three months, and then went as operations officer with MCB-3 to Guam.

From April 1962 until September 1963, he was with Seabee Pacific Headquarters, Pearl Harbor. His next assignment (from September 1963 to September 1964) was as Officer in Charge of the Seabee Technical Assistance Team (STAT) detachments in Vietnam and Thailand.

STAT identifies a group of small but highly effective Seabee teams which successfully completed a series of assignments in Thailand and Vietnam. This relatively new type of military unit is composed of twelve enlisted men under one CEC officer. Each team, deployed from its parent MCB, performs a variety of construction jobs in remote areas. In Vietnam, using indigenous labor, STAT

### Wright . . .

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detachments built camps and installed water and sewage systems, solved problems involving too little water or too much, superintended the making of concrete bricks, built airfields and boat basins and canals.

Following the year in Southeast Asia, LCDR Wright returned to COMCBPAC in September 1964, and came back to the United States in March.

He holds the Navy Commendation Medal for his work in Vietnam, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal for duty there, and the National Service Defense Medal for service during the Korean War.

He and Mrs. Wright, who is a nurse, will make their home in Oakland.

★ SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE, Friday, May 28, 1965

### J. T. Smith, Marine Corps Succumbs

Major General Joseph T. Smith, U.S. Marine Corps (Ret.), a decorated veteran of the Nicaraguan Campaign in 1928 and of World War II, died yesterday in Oakland. He was 69.

General Smith was born in Livermore and enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1917, shortly after graduation from the University of California at Berkeley.

In 1928 he received the Nicaraguan Medal of Merit for his help in conducting the elections in that troubled country. Later, he saw active duty in Shanghai, China, during 1937-38.

He was Deputy Chief of Staff of Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, during World War II. He was awarded the Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star for his talents in Military logistics.

His last assignment was as President of the Naval Retiring Board at Marine Corps Headquarters, Washington, D.C. He was placed on the retirement list in November, 1946.

General Smith is survived by two sons, Lieutenant Colonel Joseph T. Smith Jr., USMC (Retired) of Santa Clara, and Philip Smith of Livermore. He also leaves two daughters, Mrs. Walton C. Carroll of Fairfax, Virginia, and Mrs. Charles D. Foxworthy of Fremont.

Funeral arrangements for interment in Golden Gate Cemetery are being handled by the Leo R. Callaghan Mortuary in Livermore.

Navy Times

June 23, 1965

### Wright Reports

OAKLAND, Calif. — Lt. Comdr. John A. Wright, who has returned from a year in Vietnam and Thailand, has reported to the Naval Hospital here as resident officer in charge of construction of the new permanent hospital to be built on the present Oak Knoll site.



## Skippers in the Spotlight

BORN IN GREENFIELD, IND., JULY 1, 1905, CECIL L. ANDREWS SOLD NEWSPAPERS AS A BOY AND LEARNED TO SWIM IN THE "OLD SWIMMING HOLE" MADE FAMOUS BY JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY, THE HOOSIER POET. IN FACT, HE WAS ONE OF THE FEW YOUNG BOYS CHOSEN TO SWIM IN THE OLD SWIMMING HOLE TO HONOR THE POET WHEN RILEY REVISITED THE OLD PLACE SHORTLY BEFORE HIS DEATH.

THE FUTURE ADMIRAL WORKED IN A DRUG STORE THROUGHOUT HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE AND MEDICAL SCHOOL. HE ATTENDED BUTLER UNIVERSITY, WHERE HE PLAYED FOOTBALL AND WAS AN INSTRUCTOR IN PHYSIOLOGY AND HYGIENE AND SANITATION DURING A SUMMER SESSION. HE SWITCHED TO INDIANA UNIVERSITY WHERE HE GRADUATED IN 1930 AND WAS COMMISSIONED A NAVY DOCTOR.

IN 1939-40, DR. ANDREWS WAS A GRADUATE STUDENT AT THE MAYO FOUNDATION. HE WON THE BRONZE STAR AND PURPLE HEART WHILE MEDICAL OFFICER ABOARD THE USS SOUTH DAKOTA DURING WORLD WAR II. HE MADE ADMIRAL IN 1959 AND WAS ASSISTANT CHIEF OF BuMed UNTIL 1963 WHEN HE TOOK COMMAND OF THE NAVAL HOSPITAL AT OAKLAND, CALIF., THE POST HE HELD WHEN NAMED TO HIS PRESENT ONE.

THE ADMIRAL'S HOBBIES ARE TRAVEL, MUSIC AND SWIMMING. HIS WIFE IS THE FORMER EILEEN L. KRANZ OF LA CLEDE, MO. HE HAS A DAUGHTER BY A FORMER MARRIAGE.

Rear Adm.  
**Cecil L. Andrews (MC)**  
COMMANDING OFFICER  
NATIONAL NAVAL MEDICAL CENTER  
BETHESDA, MD.

## the Carrier

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### JANGO Needs Volunteers

If you wish to serve others, if you wish to learn the everyday essentials of nursing care, if you are between the ages of 14 and 21 and are the daughter of a commissioned officer in the U.S. Armed Forces—active, retired, or reserve—Oakland Naval Hospital wants you as a junior JANGO.

JANGO (Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization) founded in Washington, D.C., in 1942, is a service organization that provides opportunity for girls to acquaint themselves with the nursing profession and gives them a feeling for community service.

The next class will convene July 12, and the deadline for applications is July 1. You may obtain an application form and further information by telephoning the office of the hospital's chief nurse—569-8211, Ext. 246 or 245.

As a JANGO you will receive 24 hours of classroom instruction from a Navy Nurse Corps officer, followed by 76 hours of supervised work in the hospital's dependent wards. You will wear a crisp blue pinafore with red and white trim and will be capped on completion of 100 hours of training. Pins and chevrons will be awarded as you continue to serve.

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### FOREIGN TRAINEES

Six doctors from foreign navies who are currently assigned to Oakland Naval Hospital for training in their specialties had a broader view of the United States when they traveled to Washington and New York on a "foreign officer informational objectives visit" arranged for them through the office of the Chief of Naval Operations.

They left San Francisco Monday, April 26, for New York for visits to the United Nations, the World's Fair, and other points of interest in the nation's largest city. Two days later they went to Washington, D.C. for a four-day visit which included sessions of Congress, tours of the White House, the Pentagon, the monuments, and the National Institute of Health, Bethesda, Md.

In Washington they were joined by six foreign officers from the U. S. Naval Submarine Medical Center, New London, Conn.

In the Oak Knoll group are CDR Chang Yong-taek and LT Paek Un-sang of the Korean Navy; LCDR Sha Chen-hua and LCDR Yang Toa-sheng and LT Wu Ke-shiu, Chinese Navy, and LT Stavros S. Vlavianos, Greek Navy.

CDR Raymond H. Watten of the hospital staff will serve as escort officer for the travelers.—Public Information Office, U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, Calif.

### Oak Knoll Needs Girls For JANGO

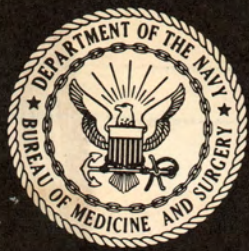
If you wish to serve others, if you wish to learn the everyday essentials of nursing care, if you are between the ages of 14 and 21 and are the daughter of a commissioned officer in the U.S. armed forces—active, retired, or reserve—Oakland Naval Hospital wants you as a junior JANGO.

JANGO (Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization), founded in Washington, D.C., in 1942, is a service organization that provides opportunity for girls to acquaint themselves with the nursing profession and gives them a feeling for community service.

The next class will convene July 12, and the deadline for applications is July 1. You may obtain an application form and further information by telephoning the office of the hospital's chief nurse—569-8211, ext. 246 or 245.

As a JANGO you will receive 24 hours of classroom instruction from a Navy Nurse Corps officer, followed by 76 hours of supervised work in the hospital's dependent wards. You will wear a crisp blue pinafore with red and white trim and will be capped on completion of 100 hours of training. Pins and chevrons will be awarded as you continue to serve.





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FRONT COVER: Aerial view of the U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California. Located in the East Oakland foothills on the former 208 acre site of the Oak Knoll Golf and Country Club.

The hospital was commissioned on 1 July 1942 with 6 ward buildings and 204 beds ready for occupancy.

Construction kept pace with the developments in the Pacific, and in 1945 the hospital was caring for more than 6,000 patients and had a military and civilian staff of approximately 3,000.

An important step in the development of Oak Knoll came in 1950 when the Navy's West Coast Centers for care of amputee patients and those with neuropsychiatric problems were moved here from Mare Island when that hospital was reduced to dispensary status.

It serves as a general hospital and also provides specialized treatment in thoracic, cardiovascular, and plastic surgery, neurosurgery, surgery for deafness and for repair of the cornea, malignant diseases, neurological and neuropsychiatric problems.—Editor.

## New Oakland Navy Hospital Slated

OAKLAND—long-sought permanent Oakland Naval Hospital took a step toward reality this week when the contract for the first phase of the project was awarded to the S. and D. Construction Co., Inc. of San Jose.

Rear Adm. Harold J. Cokely, commanding officer, announced award of the contract just two days before the 23rd anniversary of the hospital's commissioning July 1.

S. and D.'s bid of \$314,757 is to cover cost of conversion of

existing redwood buildings to house departments now located in five buildings occupying the site where the new nine-story hospital will rise—and subsequent demolition of buildings on the site. The bid was one of eight submitted.

Buildings to be demolished to make way for the new structure are occupied chiefly by the hospital's Orthopedic Service and Red Cross Lounge.

Work on this phase of the building project will begin immediately, and the contract calls for completion of interim facilities and necessary demolition in the next four months.

The Navy will call for bids for construction of the \$14,500,000 permanent hospital in October, and ground-breaking will take place in November, according to Admiral Cokely.

Architects for the new building are Stone, Maraccini, and Patterson and Associates and Milton T. Pflueger of San Francisco.

Captain John D. Burkey, Civil Engineer Corps, Director of the Western Division of the Navy's Bureau of Yards and Docks, is the officer in charge, and Lieut. Cmdr. John A. Wright, Civil Engineer Corps, the resident officer in charge.



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### BLOOD RECRUITMENT POSTER



One hundred fifty copies of the above poster are boosting blood recruitment at Oakland Naval Hospital's Blood Bank.

They are on display at all naval installations in the San Francisco Bay Area including ships in port.

HM3 Fred Fisher, Oak Knoll laboratory technician-artist, created the poster on his own time after ENS N. M. Hirsch, MSC, medical technologist in charge of the hospital's blood donor center, conceived the idea for it. The finished product is a 17 x 22-inch lithographed poster in red and black on white poster board.

LT K. L. Darr, MSC, hospital contact for blood donors at Naval Air Station, Alameda, and HMC R. L. Falls, who obtains donors from U.S. Naval Station, Treasure Island, have found the poster an aid in blood recruitment.

### DENTAL SECTION

CAPT R. A. Middleton, DC USN, Chief of Dental Service, U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California, presented a lecture entitled, "Inflammatory Disease of Salivary Glands," before members of a post-graduate course in Oral Surgery, at Letterman Gen-

eral Hospital, on 9 April 1965, in San Francisco, California.

Dental Service staff members and interns of U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California, presented the following table clinics before the 95th Annual California Dental Association Meeting, on 27 April 1965, in San Francisco, California:

#### CLINICIANS

LCDR B. C. Terry, DC USN  
LCDR J. F. Hardin, DC USN  
LT. R. W. Brazil, DC USN and  
LT M. T. Jupina, DC USN  
LT J. M. Cahan, DC USN  
LT J. M. Allen, DC USN and  
LT K. G. Ponder, DC USN  
LT B. E. Sharrow, DC USN  
LT D. S. Prock, DC USN and  
LT R. L. Seberg, DC USN

#### PRESENTATIONS

"Injection Obturation In Surgical Endodontics"  
Mucogingival Surgery  
Alloy Equilibration and Finishing  
  
Surgical Flap Design  
Resilient Denture Bases  
  
Sutures and Suturing  
Combined Therapy in Treatment of Teeth With Furcation Involvement



# Mexican Triumph In Rehabilitation Case

By FRANK H. BARTHOLOMEW  
MEXICO CITY (UPI)—Mexico today marks the fifth anniversary of one of the world's most remarkable accomplishments in the rehabilitation of amputees.

It started on a pleasant September evening in Switzerland, when the left rear tire of a car leaving Lucerne for Geneva began to thump. The chauffeur and his passenger got out to see what was wrong.

The ensuing chain of events leading to today's anniversary have seen over six thousand crippled persons, men and women who had lost arms and legs in the terrible accidents, returned to health and self-assurance in this Latin nation far from Switzerland.

The night it all started, a speeding motorcycle rounded a curve in the Swiss roadway and struck the chauffeur and his passenger. The motorcyclist was killed. The car's passenger lay in the roadway, his leg mangled. Fortunately for the thousands of paraplegics and amputees here in Mexico, the unconscious man still lived.

**PUBLISHER**  
He was Don Romulo O'Farrill, president of the permanent governing committee of the Pan American highway congress. He is also publisher of two newspapers here in his home city, "Novedades" and the English-language "Daily News."

He knew nothing about paraplegics and amputees, but he was to learn the hard way.

Because of the continuous cooperation he had extended the United States over the years, he was admitted for special treatment to the U.S. Naval Hospital in San Diego.

Here, two years after the accident, Dr. Walter Miller, chief orthopedic surgeon, explained to O'Farrill that his mangled leg had to come off.

"He told me I would survive the handicap," O'Farrill says. "Later, Dr. Thomas A. Canty of the rehabilitation department of the U.S. Naval Hospital at Oakland proved it to me."

(Dr. Canty is now commanding officer of the U.S. Naval Hospital at Camp Pendleton. He served in Oakland for 11 years, until 1961, as head of the Navy Prosthetics Laboratory (amputee center).)

Dr. Canty invented the so-called "swim limb," a completely waterproof artificial leg. O'Farrill was the first man to wear the new limb and during 1958 learned how to dive, swim and tread water in Oakland swimming pools.)

## WELL KNOWN

He is well known in medical circles. He repaired a dog's broken leg with plastic so that it could walk the next day. He taught a man and wife from Vallejo, who had only one good leg between them, how to dance. He ran a program here restoring limbs of German soldiers maimed during World War II.)

In the long days of learning to walk again with his artificial leg, O'Farrill developed an intense interest in the recovery project.

Out of this interest was born in Mexico City one of the most remarkable medical specialty establishments in the world.

The Mexico Rehabilitation Institute was formally inaugurated July 7, 1960, two years to the day upon which is originator had his mangled leg removed by surgery in San Diego.

Since then it has cared for over 6,500 patients, receives additional hundreds each month, treats 90 percent of them without charge, and is entirely self-supporting.

Don Romulo O'Farrill is a man possessed of two dominant characteristics. First is unshakable strength of character and certainty that he could overcome any physical handicap.

## ENTHUSIASM

Second is an infectious enthusiasm which enlisted the full cooperation of two successive Mexican presidents, an American ambassador, many American doctors, a Mexican philanthropist and such international companies as Bendix, General Motors, Studebaker-Packard, Mobil Oil, Casa Astor, the television network Telesistema Mexicana and, of course, the two O'Farrill newspapers.

The result is an extraordinary

rehabilitation hospital and manufacturing plant at Tlalpan, a suburb of Mexico City, where nine out of ten patients are treated without cost by a private institution which pays its way handsomely with articles produced by patients under treatment.

Here full medical, psychological and therapeutic care for persons of all ages and financial conditions have been provided, practically all of it without charge.

The establishment now has a staff of over 400 supported in its entirety, as O'Farrill says, "by an industry handled en-

tirely by invalids.

"It is a demonstration that man's will, if guided by ability, can overcome all obstacles put in its way."

The varied products made by the patients include all orthopedic apparatus and artificial members.

## ADAPTATION

Forty patients work in the making and distribution to other patients of artificial arms and legs, cosmetic hands, corsets, shoes and orthopedic equipment.

Parts for apparatus and prostheses are also exported to other

rehabilitation centers in Mexico, Central and South America.

The principal and perhaps the most surprising activity is the main industry, a factory for automobile radios.

This plant, laid out with the technical assistance of the Bendix Corporation, includes four long production lines with a capacity of 400 units daily of any trademark in process.

Of the 6,500 patients thus far admitted, only five per cent gave up treatment. Four thousand were rehabilitated and returned as competent men and women to their previous activities, or trained for others. About 20 per

cent of the total, representing for the most part children or young people still growing, were partially released with treatment and training to continue to a certain age.

Don Romulo himself, a man with smiling eyes in a determined face, walks briskly about the tree-shaded grounds and through the buildings of the institute without a trace in his stride of his own artificial leg.

"I look back with admiration and affection for all who helped bring this into being," he says. "Our purpose is to lead the handicapped by the hand from

the moment he suffers the physical shock of amputation up to a hoped-for time when, completely rehabilitated morally and materially, he can freely use his artificial member and carry out specialized work, conditioned to his new capacity, which the institute will obtain for him."

The therapy offered the maimed of Mexico has had magnificent results upon its sponsor. Don Romulo, now 67, loves to dance and will do an impromptu jig, buck-and-wing or twist, inviting you to guess which is his real leg before he lifts the cuff of his trousers.



DR. THOMAS J. CANTY

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## Playmates Help Put Out Boy's Clothing Blaze

ALAMEDA — Playmates helped beat out the flames with their hands when the clothes of 10-year-old Robert Gray caught fire yesterday.

Police said that Gray and two friends were playing with matches in the basement of a house at 2244 Encinal Ave., when they ignited a flammable liquid.

Gray's clothes caught on fire and the boy began to roll on the floor. Carl O'Conner, 10, of 2242 Encinal Ave., and Alan

Dillard, 14, of 1035 Eagle Ave., succeeded in extinguishing the fire with their hands.

O'Conner suffered burns on his left hand and was treated at Alameda First Aid Station.

Robert, the son of gunners-mate first class James W. Gray, of 1109 B Eagle Ave., was taken to the Oakland Naval Hospital with first, second and third degree burns of his right arm and body. He is in fair condition.

Firemen estimated damage to the basement at \$200.

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## 2 Scholars Get Grants

OAKLAND, Calif. — Deborah Ruth Van Landingham, daughter of Lt. Comdr. R. W. Van Landingham, a navy chaplain on duty at San Francisco Naval Shipyard, and Noel Dimick Goldthwaite, son of Capt. D. D. Goldthwaite, Chief of the Orthopedic Service at Oakland Naval Hospital, have been named winners of the 1965 Oak Knoll Officers Wives Club Scholarships of \$300 each.

Deborah is a freshman at San Francisco State College, working toward her BS degree in nursing and certification as a registered nurse and public health nurse. She attended high school in Guam and later at Arroyo High in San Lorenzo, where she was graduated in the upper five percent of her class. She received a Scholarship Achievement Award, was vice-president of the Community Service Club and a member of the German Club.

Noel is a June '65 graduate of Berkeley High, where he was in the top five percent of his class and a member of the Honor Society and the California Scholarship Federation. He has attended the University of California at Berkeley, as an accelerated high school student and will continue there as a physics major. He hopes ultimately to earn his PhD in either high energy physics or astrophysics.

He is an amateur radio operator

and a member of NAV MARS (Military Affiliate Radio System—an organization of amateur operators who make their services available to the Navy when needed.) He is working toward a private pilot license and is an aspiring flamenco guitarist.

This is the second year the scholarships have been given. Children of officers in the Medical, Dental, Medical Service, or Chaplain Corps of the Navy stationed in the 12ND are eligible to apply, and selections—based on scholarship and merit—are made by a committee which includes a representative of each corps.

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## YOUNG VOLUNTEER IN AMERICAN TRADITION

An attractive young volunteer in the American tradition of community service is Catherine Kackley, daughter of the Center's Executive Officer. Above, she demonstrates to her father some of the training she received in the 100-hour Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization (JANGO) course at the Oakland Naval Hospital. Catherine, who will be 17 this Saturday, has completed her junior year at Oakland High School. JANGO, founded in Washington, D.C., in 1942, gives girls between 14 and 21 an opportunity for volunteer service in nursing. At Oak Knoll they get 24 hours of classroom instruction and 76 hours of supervised work in the dependent wards. They are encouraged to serve beyond that time. Daughters of active, retired, or reserve officers of the armed forces are eligible. For further information, telephone the office of the hospital's chief nurse: 569-8211, ext. 246 or 245.

## SOCIETY MEDLEY.

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TWENTY-THREE YOUNG Navy medical and dental interns, who reported to Oak Knoll Oakland Naval Hospital July 1 for their year's training, will be guests of Rear Admiral and Mrs. Harold Jay Cokely the evening of Aug. 5. Twelve of the lieutenants are married but a record number of ten are still single. . . . predictions based on past performance are that at least one of them attending the Cokely's party will find a bride before the year's training is over and that she will be one of Oak Knoll's 112 Navy Nurse Corps officers.  
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## World of Women

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## First Male Joins Navy Nurse Corps

BOSTON (AP)—George M. Silver today becomes Ensign Silver—the first male member of the U.S. Navy Nurse Corps—and joins company with some 2,000 females.

Silver will be assigned to the psychiatric section of Oakland Naval Hospital after he completes an indoctrination session at Newport, R.I. He will arrive in Oakland late this year.

Silver's wife, Sally, says she doesn't object.

"I'm sort of used to his working with women. It's his job, and his career," she said.

Sally and their son, Gregory, will be on hand when Silver, a Rehoboth, Mass., resident, is sworn into the heretofore "female only" nurse corps. The Navy said he is the first in a new program expanding the corps to include men.

### IS SHE JEALOUS?

Asked in an interview to confirm that his wife wasn't the jealous type, Silver laughed and said, "Well, sometimes at parties — but not while I'm on the job."

Silver said he believes nursing is "useful and helpful work."

"I'm now an assistant head nurse at Taunton State Hospital and I've worked primarily in psychiatry."

"I did work with psychiatric cases as a corpsman at the U.S. Navy Hospital at Memphis." It was then that he became interested in nursing.

Silver is a Dighton native who spent most of a three-year hitch in the Navy at the Tennessee

hospital. After discharge he went to work at a veteran's hospital in nearby Brockton.

"But I decided I needed more education and I went into nurses training at McLean Hospital in Belmont."

He also went to Boston Lying-in Hospital for training in obstetrical and other care, and Massachusetts General for medical and surgical cases.

### NO PROBLEMS

"I never had any problems crop up in care of women patients," he said. "What most people want in a hospital is for someone to help them and make them comfortable."

"I also worked three nights a week in the accident room at Morton Hospital in Taunton. We get every kind of case there — accidents, suicides, car wrecks."

"At Taunton Hospital I worked in the intensive treatment ward where we devote the most effort to help the newer patients, and try to help them get out of the hospital again."

Silver is headed first for an indoctrination session at Newport, R.I., starting Oct. 12 and will then report to Oakland.



GEORGE M. SILVER (LEFT) COMMISSIONED AS U.S. NAVY NURSE Shown with wife Sally and son Gregory, 3. He will be stationed in Oakland. (AP)

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## First Male Navy Nurse!

BOSTON — (AP)—Sally Silver looked on proudly yesterday as her husband, George, joined company with 2,000 women.

Mrs. Silver saw George sworn in as Ensign Silver, the first male member of the U.S. Navy Nurse Corps.

Lt. Cmdr. Edith A. Principe of the Nurse Corps administered the oath to the 25-year-old Rehoboth, Mass., resident who became the first member of a new program expanding the Nurse Corps to include men.

Also watching the ceremonies at Chelsea Naval Hospital was the Silvers' son, Gregory, 3.

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Then, he's scheduled for assignment to the



—Associated Press Wirephoto.

George M. Silver—shown with his wife Sally, and son, Gregory—was sworn in as the first male nurse in the U. S. Navy.

Naval Hospital at Oakland, a facility for psychiatric patients.

How does Mrs. Silver, 22, feel about her husband spending his working hours with all those

women?

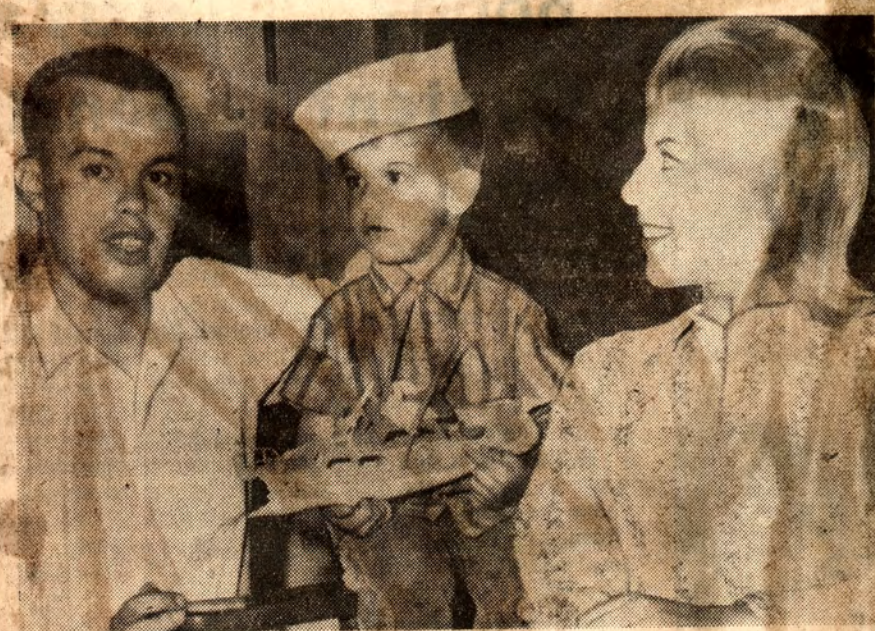
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A. P. Wirephoto

## He's a Navy Nurse

George M. Silver (left) yesterday became the first male nurse in the Navy's Nurse Corps, which until his commissioning as an Ensign had consisted of 2,000 women. Silver, shown with his wife Sally

and their son, Gregory, 3, is headed from his Boston home to eventual duty at the Naval Hospital in Oakland. He got interested in nursing after serving as a corpsman during a Navy hitch.

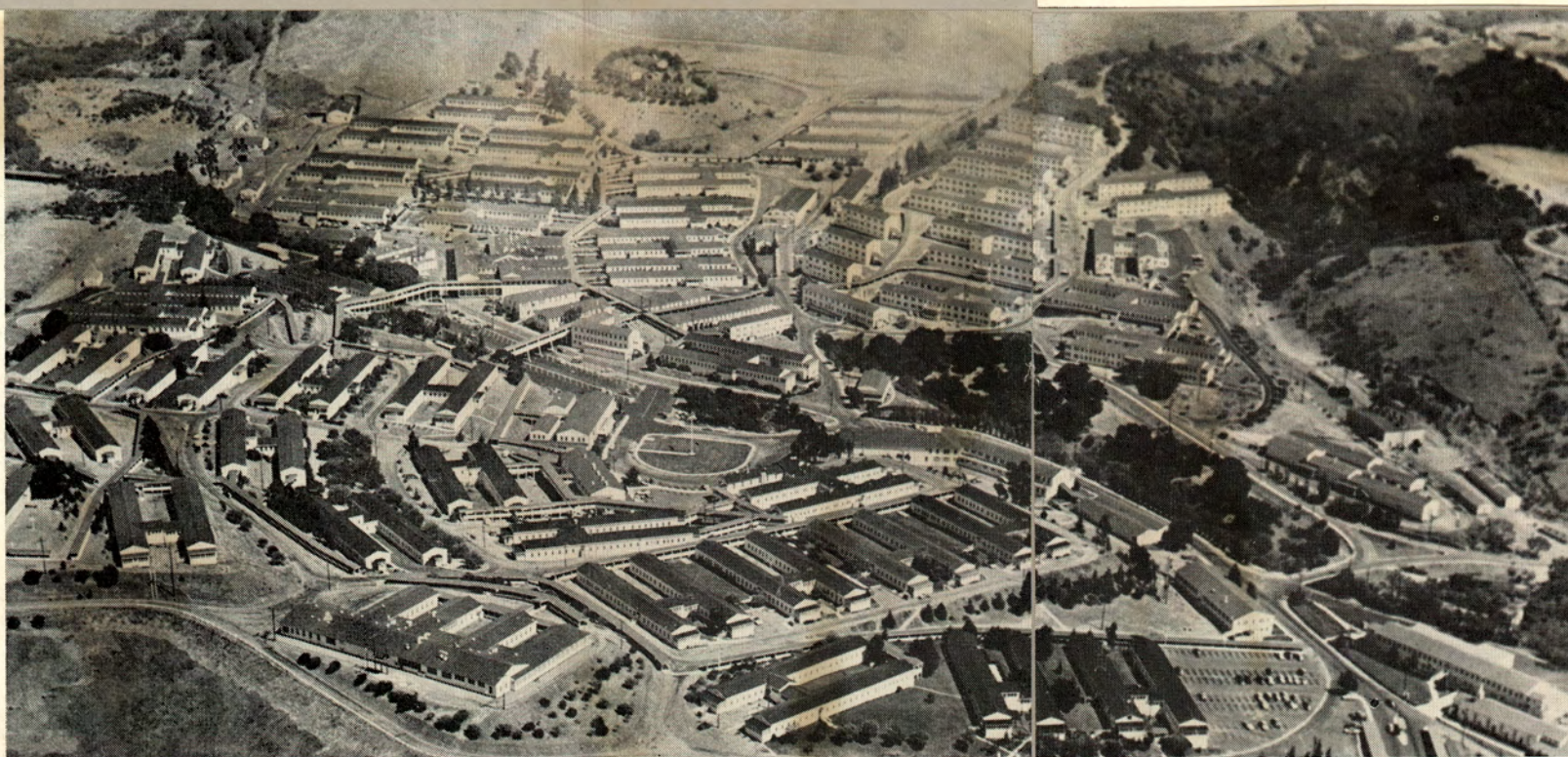




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# Life Lines

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## Oak Knoll: One Of Navy's Busiest Hospitals

Twenty-three years ago, on the site of the former Oak Knoll Golf and Country Club in the East Oakland, California, foothills, 25 barrack-type buildings were beginning to take shape.

They were the nucleus of the sprawling hospital the United States Navy built to receive the thousands of World War II casualties which were to be brought back from the Pacific battle zones.

Oak Knoll hospital was commissioned on July 1, 1942, with six ward buildings and 204 beds ready for occupancy. Construction kept pace with the developments in the Pacific, and in 1945, at the climax of the war, the hospital was caring for more than 6,000 patients and had a military and civilian staff of approximately 3,000.

In terms of patient population, it was one of the Navy's largest hospitals. The

hospital, today so quiet that few are aware of its location in a residential area, teemed with activity.

Citation ceremonies at which hundreds received medals for heroism, many of them the Purple Heart, were held regularly in Gendreau Circle, which was named for a Navy doctor who died of wounds received in action in the Pacific.

With demobilization the hospital's population declined, only to rise again during the Korean War when the average patient census was 2,500. Today, the patient census averages approximately 650.

An important step in the development of Oak Knoll came in 1950 when the Navy's West Coast Centers for care of amputee patients and those with neuropsychiatric problems were transferred there from Mare Island.

Today, under the command of Rear Admiral H. J. Cokely, Medical Corps, USN, Oak Knoll has three major missions—treatment, training, and research.

It's a general hospital for active duty and retired personnel of the armed services and their dependents. It provides specialized treatment for amputee patients, those requiring plastic surgery, neurosurgery, thoracic surgery, cardiovascular surgery, surgery for deafness and for repair of the cornea of the eye, and for those needing treatment for malignant diseases, neurological and neuropsychiatric problems.

Oak Knoll provides training for medical and dental interns and medical residencies in a number of specialties. The training program is carried on under the guidance of more than 30 certified Navy specialists and 100 civilian consultants, many of them

from the faculties of the University of California and Stanford Medical Schools. Enlisted personnel may earn technical ratings in one of the nine schools operated in the hospital or through on-the-job training.

The hospital's Clinical Investigation Center, Prosthetic Research Laboratory, and various clinical services constantly maintain active research programs.

Surgical and medical augmentation teams are maintained in constant readiness to serve in the event of a national emergency. Medical personnel, supplies and emergency hospitalization facilities are available in case of disaster in the area.

A new Oak Knoll hospital, talked of and written about for many years, was approved by the Secretary of Defense in June 1963. Approval came after Rear Admiral T. G. Hays, then Commanding Officer, and the Navy Department's Bureau of Medicine and Surgery had fought long and hard to convince the Defense Department of the need for a new Navy hospital at the present location. Rear Admiral C. L. Andrews, who was on duty in the Bureau during this period, relieved Admiral Hays, and it was during his tour of duty that Congress, appropriated the funds necessary for the new building.

The new hospital, to cost approximately \$14.5 million, will be a nine-story, 650-bed structure with 452,800 square feet of floor space.

The four lower floors will contain all outpatient clinics and those diagnostic and treatment facilities which serve both outpatient and ambulatory inpatients. On these floors will be the emergency room, surgeries, pharmacy and a new aural-speech and rehabilitation center.

The five upper floors will contain all inpatient nursing units and research centers.

Jack Messinger, J. B. Taylor Agency, is United of Omaha's representative at the hospital.

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## THE HOSPITAL CLIPPER



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U. S. NAVAL HOSPITAL, MEMPHIS, TENN.

### HOSPITAL GETS NEW ADMIN OFFICER



U. S. Naval Hospital Memphis welcomes aboard Commander Leslie H. Joslin, who arrived in Memphis on 1 July 1965. On 7 July he officially relieved Commander Horace von Radesky, who had served as Administrative Officer at the hospital for the past three years. Commander von Radesky will report to Long Beach, California to assist in setting up the new Naval Hospital being constructed there.

Commander Joslin comes to Memphis from the U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California where he has served as Administrative Officer for the past four years. A native of Mississippi, Commander Joslin has completed 31 years of Naval service. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Management from the Navy Post Graduate School, Monterey, in 1961 and is a member of the American College of Hospital Administrators.

The Commander and his wife, Rita, have three sons. Leslie, 22, is a senior at San Jose State College. David, 20, is a junior at Memphis State, and Richard, 6, is due to enter the second grade next September. The Commander and his family are occupying Quarters I at the U. S. Naval Hospital.

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## Hospital Worker Wins Navy Award

Mrs. Elizabeth Tom Tsai, veteran employee of the Oakland Naval Hospital, has received the Navy's Meritorious Civilian Service Award in recognition of her service.

Mrs. Tsai, who lives at 535 Zorah St., received the award from Rear Adm. H. J. Cokely.

An employee of the hospital since October, 1942, Mrs. Tsai is a staff member of the hospital's legal office.

In that capacity she has interviewed hundreds of persons seeking legal assistance, maintained liaison with police, courts and other public agencies, as well as individual attorneys.

"The interests of the Navy and of individual service members have been protected by Mrs. Tsai's efforts," Lt. A. J. Belton, hospital legal officer, said in recommending the award.

"She has never failed to respond in an exemplary manner to every request and challenge," Lt. Belton added.

Mrs. Tsai and her husband, Victor, an employee of the Oakland Post Office, have two children, Vincent 10 and Virginia 7.



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## 'Pacifists Might Grow Up in Vietnam'

By WALLY BURKE

"Rushing out to get married to keep from being drafted just seems silly to me."

That came from the mouth of a young San Bruno Marine. As he said it he held high an arm shattered by a Viet Cong bullet.

Pfc. James T. Costa, son of Edward Costa, of 445 Cedar Ave., was disgusted with news of young couples stampeding to marriage license offices.

"I don't think this is a good foundation on which to build a marriage," said the mature battle veteran who celebrated his 20th birthday Thursday in Oakland's Naval Hospital. "Besides," he kidded, "I don't know which is worse, getting married or getting drafted."

Costa, awarded the Purple Heart in Hawaii on his way back from Viet Nam, had been shot in a battle at Chu Lai.

In an exclusive interview with The Advance-Star, young Costa explained:

"I guess I was lucky to come from a family which practiced discipline. When I enlisted in the Marines, I didn't have the resentment of authority like so many kids my age."

He told about the rugged boot camp training



MARINE JAMES COSTA  
"When child throws grenade..."

he received a year and a half ago in San Diego. "Sure it was tough," he said, "but I was glad I made it through. The discipline had a purpose, and I think it made better men out of all of us."

Costa, who was graduated from Capuchino High School and spent a semester at College of San Mateo before enlisting, had been in the thick of jungle and rice paddy fighting in Viet Nam since May 1.

He found no sympathy for pacifist picketing of Gen. Maxwell Taylor in San Francisco or with other demonstrations urging U.S. withdrawal from Viet Nam.

"These are the same bunch of 'little kids' who tired of screaming about 'Ban-the-Bomb,' so they found something else to do. They might grow up a little bit if they were over there getting shot at."

Costa, a handsome, athletic youngster, is no more sympathetic with those who deplore the shooting of civilians.

"I've been on patrols," he stated, "where our platoon would pass a group of civilians. They'd all smile and salute and then a 4-year-old, to whom we'd just given candy, would whip a grenade from under a blanket and toss it into our ranks."

Viet Nam heat and dampness was the young

Marine's main complaint. "There were times," he said, "when it got 137 degrees, and about the coolest was 80 or more. When I got shot, it was raining—and had been for days."

"I was packing a 60 pound radio and my other gear, helping my buddy, Pfc. Mike Cleary, up a sloping rice paddy. Guys were dropping all around me, and I'd just shot a straw-camouflaged Viet Cong soldier who popped up in the rice field."

"Then the burp gun opened up. The first shot smashed my arm, another zinged off my helmet and a third knocked the aerial off my radio before I hit the dirt."

"I'm still waiting for my sea bag to catch up with me. It has a camera in it with pictures Mike took of me being loaded on the stretcher."

Young Costa, who still has more than two years to serve, said there is a possibility he'll be sent back to Viet Nam when he recovers.

Though he plans to marry his fiancée, Marilyn Turturici of San Mateo, whom he met while attending CSM, he is willing to wait until he finishes his hitch and gets established in a job.

Costa's father, a "Seabee" in World War II, is a truck driver for Gamlen Chemical Company in South San Francisco.

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FORMAL CALL for bids to be opened Nov. 3 should go out tomorrow covering the new 9-story, 650-bed Oakland Naval Hospital. Award authority is the Western Division, Bureau of Yards & Docks, San Bruno. The new hospital will stand on the site of the present one at Oak Knoll and Mountain Blvd. The opening has purposely been set one month after the opening for Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco to permit contractors to schedule their estimating to bid on both jobs. Design calls for a 4-story base to house service, out-patient and clinical areas. Above is a 5-story cross-shaped tower with four nursing units per floor. The 452,800-sq. ft. structure makes use of a reinforced concrete frame with pre-cast reinforced concrete exterior bearing wall panels. Both the Oakland and the Letterman jobs were designed simultaneously by an architectural joint venture involving Stone, Marraccini & Patterson Assoc., and Milton T. Pflueger. While the hospitals are not identical, every effort was made to achieve maximum uniformity and comparability.

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### Navy Doctor Cited for Saigon Hospital Work

Lt. Cmdr. Charles R. Hamlin, 34, received a Navy commendation medal at Oakland Naval Hospital today for meritorious service as chief of surgery at a Naval hospital in Saigon.

Dr. Hamlin received the citation from Rear Adm. Harold J. Cokely, hospital commanding officer.

The citation said Dr. Hamlin worked an average of 80 to 100 hours a week in Saigon and that his "professional knowledge and prompt action prevented loss of lives and a higher degree of permanent disability in seriously injured patients."

Commissioned in April, 1957, he completed four years of residency training in surgery here before ordered to Viet Nam duty. He resumed his duties in Oakland in July.



LT. CMDR. CHARLES HAMLIN

He, his wife, and their seven children live at 10270 Royal Oak Road.



## Navy Authorizes Housing Program

The Navy has authorized construction of 272 housing units at Alameda Naval Air Station and 36 units at the U.S. Naval Hospital, 8750 Mountain Blvd., Oakland.

An appropriation of \$6,450,000 has been made for the 308 housing units. A spokesman at the Navy's Western Division of Bureau of Yards and Docks said advertising for the construction would be placed in January with contracts awarded March 1.

Alameda NAS presently has 849 housing units including 200 under construction. The housing projects are part of the \$26 million in naval construction which will take place in the Bay Area in the 1965-1966 fiscal year.

An allocation of \$495,000 has been made to relocate Military Sea Transport Headquarters from Fort Mason San Francisco, to the Naval Supply Center, Seventh and Maritime Sts., Oakland. Building 31, now a warehouse, will be partially converted to office space for the MST headquarters.

Other construction projects: Alameda NAS—Crash-fire facility, \$70,500; barracks rehabilitation, \$588,000.

Naval Weapons Station, Concord — Electrical distribution conversion, \$137,000; sewer extension, \$110,000; quality evaluation laboratory, \$265,000.

Naval Station, Treasure Island — Barracks, \$2,780,000; heating plant, \$383,000; relocation of activities, \$1,175,000.

Mare Island Naval Shipyard—Refueling facility, \$420,000; barracks modernization, \$363,000; cryptographic repair school, \$437,000; pipe shop consolidation, \$458,000; electric distribution system, \$70,500.

## Air, Ground Search For Doctor

OROVILLE — Air and ground searches today continued their hunt for missing Richmond pathologist Dr. Robert E. Burgett, 33, who vanished 11 days ago.

His empty automobile was found Thursday on Cherokee Road, about three miles outside this city.

His wife, Mrs. Jewell Burgett, has told Butte County sheriff's deputies her husband often had spare time from his duties at Oakland Naval Hospital and frequently used the time hiking.

There are no signs of foul play, deputies said, and it is believed the doctor may have fallen into one of many abandoned mine shafts in the area. His car, when found, was locked and his coat and necktie were neatly laid across the front seat.

## for the family

### Champagne Branch

OAKLAND, Calif.—Pretty newcomers and equally charming "old salts" boarded the good ship Oak Knoll 1965-66 cruise of the Oak Knoll Hospital Officers Wives Club. The event—a champagne brunch—carried out the international travel theme.

A foggy sea, where backlit silhouettes of navy ships sailed away into the distance, formed a backdrop for the punch table. This was centered by a beautiful flower arrangement in blue and gold. Name tags were miniature blue and gold signal flags.

Signal flags were hung above the brunch table, where an "international menu" was served.

Mrs. Harold J. Cokely, wife of the commanding officer, was official hostess for the party and Mrs. Sidney L. Arje, wife of the executive officer, co-hostess. Assisting them were wives of chiefs of services including Mesdames Donald R. Buchel, Ernest A. Blakey, Arthur J. Draper, Gale G. Clark, Dana D. Goldthwaite, James E. Hamill, Robert A. Middleton, Rudy Nadbach, Marshall W. Olson, Delmer J. Pascoe, Donald W. Robinson, David B. Rulon, Albert J. Schwab, Francis J. Sweeney, James P. Semmens, and Earl D. Sneary.

## Missing MD's Body Found



DR. ROBERT BURGETT  
Autopsy Ordered

### Special to The Examiner

OROVILLE — The body of a young Richmond physician missing for 11 days was found yesterday at the edge of an abandoned Gold Rush days placer mine near here.

Dr. Robert Ernest Burgett, 33, was found by searchers sprawled beneath a tree at the remote Cherokee Mine, nine miles north of here.

Sheriff's deputies said there were no marks of violence and the physician's transistor radio, its batteries exhausted, was beside his body. An autopsy will be performed today.

THE DOCTOR'S blue, 1960 model station wagon had been found Friday on little used Cherokee Road north of here.

Searchers said Burgett apparently hiked the final four miles to the point where his body was found. His clothing, camping equipment, food, and water were locked within the vehicle.

Dr. Burgett, a pathologist and resident physician at the Veterans Hospital in Martinez, was reported missing after he left his home at 2815 Moyers rd., Richmond, supposedly enroute to Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland.

AT THE TIME of his disappearance, his wife, Jewell, told police her husband was a habitual spur-of-the-moment hiker.

It later was learned the physician had planned to visit an uncle living in the small community of Vina in Tehama county.

Dr. Burgett also is survived by a young son and daughter.

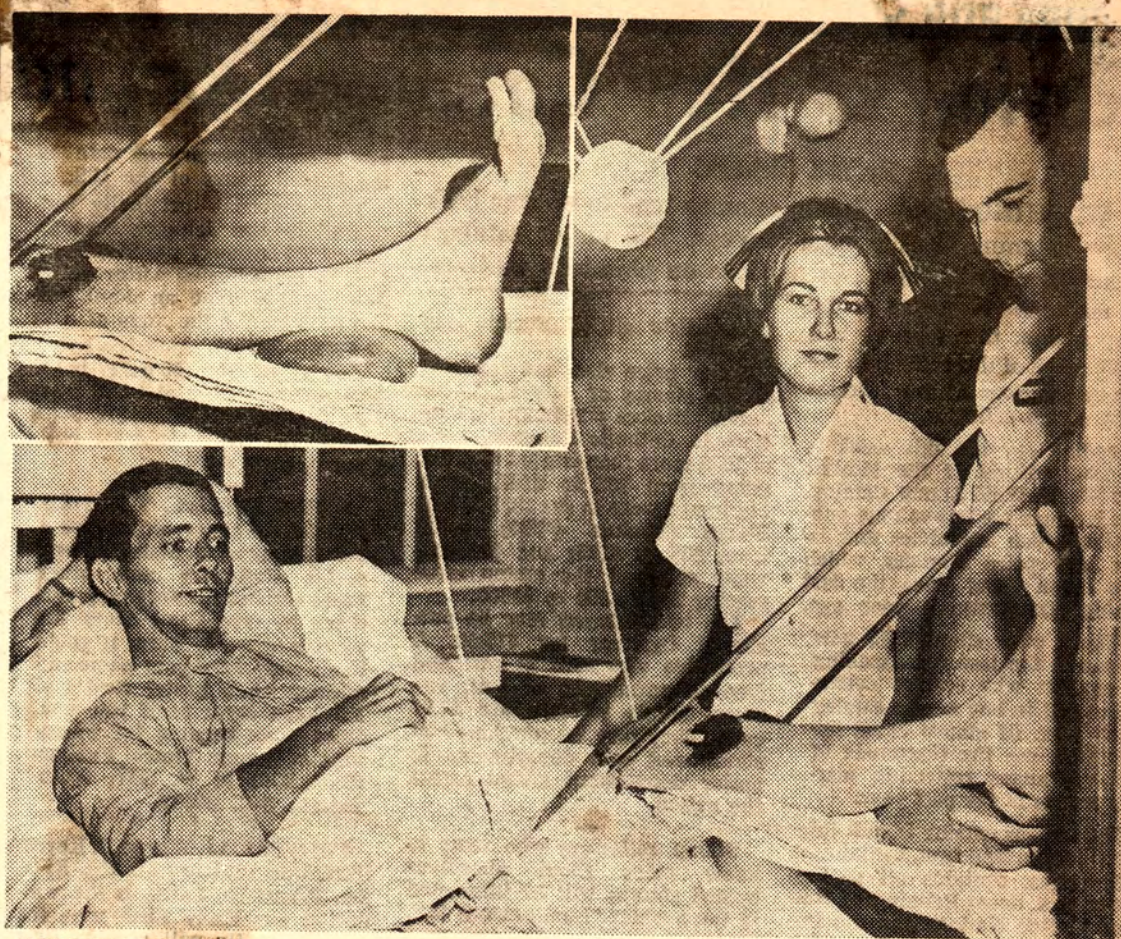
## Research Editor Wins Navy Award

Mrs. Mullie F. Jack, technical publications editor in the clinical research facility at Oakland Naval Hospital for the past 18 years, has received the Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Award.

Mrs. Jack, who lives at 7888 Sterling Drive, was recognized for "her many noteworthy contributions, which have been of high value and benefit to the Navy."

It is the first time an employee at the hospital has received the award, a gold pin and certificate. The award was presented by Rear Adm. Harold J. Cokely, hospital commanding officer.

## He's Cooling His Heels



HOSPITALIZED WITH a severely fractured right leg, Arnold Stokke, retired chief aviation ordnance, turned inventor from his bed in the Oakland, Calif., Naval Hospital. His heel was rubbing against the cloth-covered exercise rig and he was warm. Why not fill a rubber balloon with water and let it support his heel? It worked, and now the chief keeps a supply of balloons at his bedside because both his confidence (and the life of the balloons) are limited. Nurse Lt. (jg) Barbara Hyslop and Robert Dilday, hospitalman, can attest to the fact that the balloons won't last forever. They were at bedside when one broke, giving the chief an unexpected shower. The inset picture shows a closeup of the chief's "invention".

## VETERANS CHRISTMAS FUND Gift Launches Drive



VETERANS OFFICIALS LAUNCH DRIVE FOR HOSPITALS CHRISTMAS FUND  
From left, Mary Valle, Rear Adm. Harold Cokely, John C. Phillips, Bryant King

About 350 wounded men in the Oakland Oak Knoll Naval Hospital and a similar number at the Livermore facility are guaranteed a white Christmas.

But the white will be the sterile white of their hospital wards rather than new-fallen snow.

And the joyous Yuletide could be just another lonely day away from home and family unless the Veterans Hospital Christmas Committee fund drive is a resounding success.

The committee needs \$17,500 to provide the merriest possible Christmas for the men, many from Viet Nam.

The annual drive was launched Monday with a \$325 contribution from various service agencies.

The estimate of 350 men in Oak Knoll who will not be able to travel in time to return home for Christmas came from Rear Admiral Harold J. Cokely, the commanding officer.

He said the Christmas of the men would be "very bleak" without volunteer gifts and workers.

John C. Phillips, director of the VA Hospital at Livermore, echoed the sentiment.

"The work you people do gladdens the heart of every patient who must remain during the Christmas season," he told the committee.

Bryant E. King, this year's committee president, has issued a call for volunteers and contributions.





FASHION is bonus of off-duty hours; Veronica chooses silk blend tweed of brown, gold and beige illumined by sun gold silk shell.



AFTER FIVE, glamor becomes the rule; Veronica wears R & K black organza bewitchingly banded with ruffles of chiffon.

## Woman at Home

It would be difficult to imagine closets simultaneously more shipshape and feminine than those in a San Leandro apartment, presently home to Commander Veronica Bulshefski, NC, USN.

Hat boxes ranged across one shelf hint that the lady is almost as intrigued with her new gold velour bowler as with her gold braided navy tiara.

**SHEPHERD'S** In San Leandro dressed Cmdr. Veronica Bulshefski for Woman at Home pictures on this page and page 10-F.

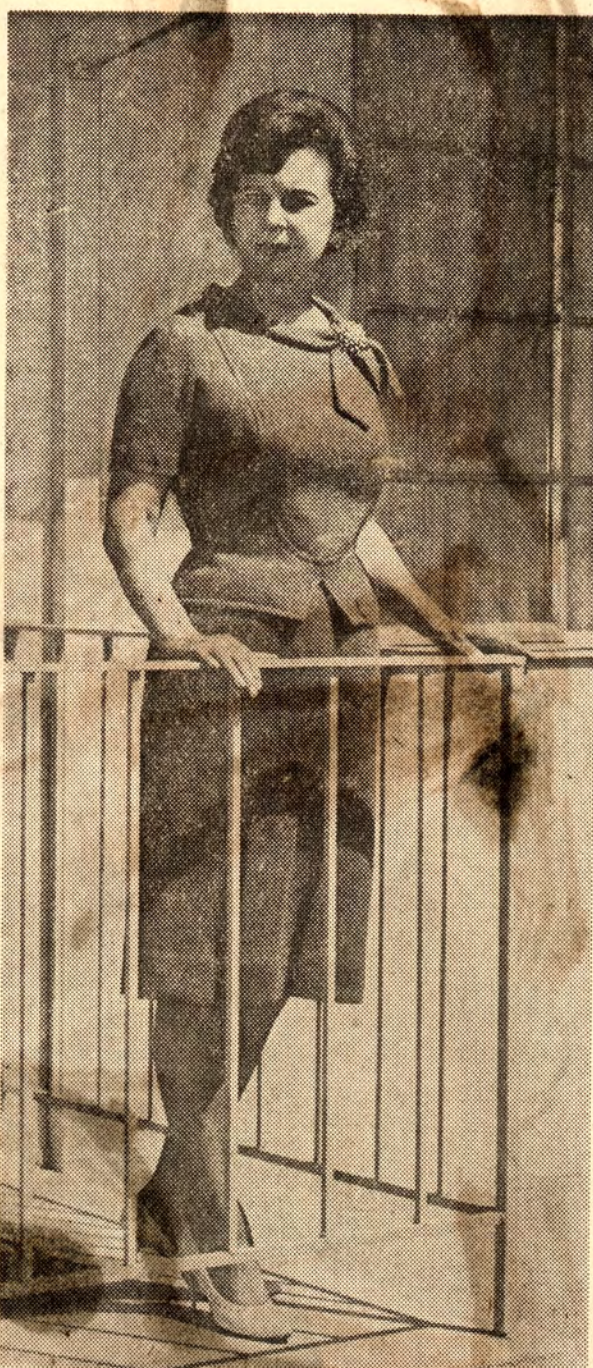
—finishing touch of a formal uniform unveiled at last May's Navy Nurse Corps Birthday Dinner—or the navy and white rolled brim hat adorned with eagle and scrambled eggs that is part of her workaday costume.

Veronica is one of the area's most important lady bosses. As chief nurse at the U.S. Naval Hospital at Oak Knoll, she supervises the work of 110 Navy Nursing Corps officers, more than 100 LVNs, ward attendants and other civilian employees, and 210 enlisted men—all the people needed to care for 700 patients. Hospital personnel suggest her figure is kept trim by daily walking a good share of Oak Knoll's 200 acres.

Almost every aspect of a constantly changing civilization affects the Commander's job. California is a favorite retirement area, making geriatrics an important study in a military hospital. Viet Nam has increased the patient load, not only in terms of wounded men but also in care of their dependents. Veronica likes the variety of work at Oak Knoll, specifically important as a treatment center for premature infants, chest diseases and injuries involving thoracic surgery, neuropsychiatric diseases and care of amputees.

The Commander's Navy career dates from 1942, when she enlisted as an ensign, was sent to Pearl Harbor and later to Guam. Danger was no particular concern, she says: "I have friends in Viet Nam now and they feel just as I did then . . . too occupied with doing a job to consider the circumstances." After WWII she was assigned to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery in Washington, D.C., then earned her bachelor's degree in nursing administration at Indiana University. Three years ago she became the first Navy nurse to receive the M.S. degree in management at the Navy Postgraduate School in Monterey. She is also a registered occupational therapist, received all but her initial training with the Navy, says "It's a wonderful opportunity for training and travel

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COMMAND presence in two parts by Susan Thomas; topover, slim skirt of green wool.





LIKE ANY Navy nurse, Cmdr. Bulshefski is a world traveler, has intriguing collection of art objects; artistic, too, fall of crisp pleats in R & K heather red afternoon dress.



FINELY tailored uniform coat might have inspired cashmere and vicuna honey brown design of The Pearsalls; braid buttons add elegant accent.

## Woman at Home

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and gives a nurse a marvelous sense of security."

Previous California stays were brief, so Veronica has found this tour of duty, which began early last year, a time for seeing the West. She's taken rides on the Skunk train, gone to Disneyland, indulged in many jaunts.

Cooking is a favorite hobby, reading another, and fashion a favorite study. Intrigued by a visit to Shepherd's for this feature, she chooses three costumes for herself and talked with Mrs. Shepherd about ar-

anging a fashion show for her nurses. She studies fashion carefully, can cite complex fabric contents, is aware of line, color and the importance of accessories.

She came here on orders (and some annoyance; her belongings suffered a strange sea change during two watery

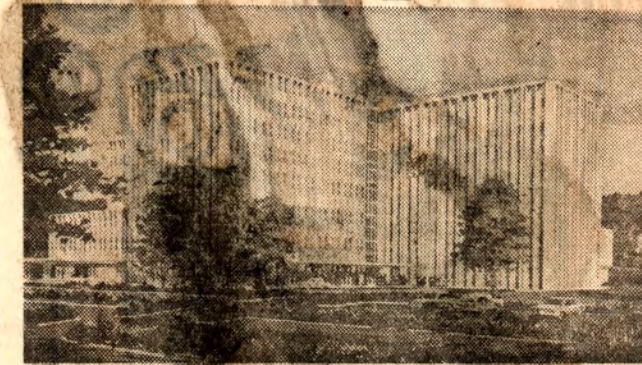
days the van spent in a stream), will leave on orders ("three or so years is an average assignment; I am sent where I'm needed"). Veronica's professional skill belongs to this community by U.S. Navy order. Nothing in regulations allots her considerable gift of feminine charm.

*Fashion*

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## Navy Plans Big New Hospital



Architect's concept of the proposed new 650-bed Oakland Naval Hospital to be built at Oak Knoll.

Bids will be called for soon on a new Oakland Naval Hospital at Oak Knoll, the Navy said yesterday. The new, 650 bed hospital, budgeted at \$14,321,000, will be built on the site of the current hospital. A five story, cross shaped tower with four nursing units per floor, rising above a four-story base housing service elements, out-patient and clinical areas, the new building will sit in a natural amphitheater of rolling hills some 600 feet east of the present administration building. Bids will be opened Nov. 3, the Navy said, one month after opening of bids for the new Letterman General Hospital in the Presidio, permitting contractors to do their estimating and bid on both jobs. Both hospitals were designed by two San Francisco firms, Stone, Marraccini and Patterson and Associates, and Milton D. Pflueger.

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## Hospital Bids Asked

The Navy today invited bids for the construction of a new nine-story, 650-bed naval hospital in Oakland. It will replace the old facility at Oak Knoll which will be demolished. The Navy said the Nov. 3 bid opening has been scheduled one month after opening of bids for the new Army hospital at the San Francisco Presidio to enable contractors to bid on both jobs. Both hospitals have been designed jointly by two San Francisco architectural firms, Stone, Marraccini and Patterson and Associates and the firm of Milton T. Pflueger.

## Bids to Open For Oakland Navy Hospital

Bids for the nine-story, 650-bed replacement for the aging Oakland Naval Hospital will be advertised tomorrow, with opening of the sealed quotes slated for Nov. 3. The House Armed Services Committee has approved \$14 million for the hospital, in addition to another \$14 million for a replacement of existing hos-

pital facilities at San Francisco's Presidio. The Oakland hospital, to be built on the site of the present hospital, will include four stories to house service elements, out-patient and clinical areas. Bids were announced by the Department of the Navy Western Division, Bureau of Yards and Docks at San Bruno.

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... Man Alive ...



Poor John Harder is in Oakland Naval Hospital today with a broken thigh bone from having fallen off his bicycle, and he'll still be hospitalized Sept. 18, his birthday. His 86th birthday ... Margaret Welch says it was like a movie at Oakland Airport the other day, the PSA jet warming up two of its engines on the field, most of the passengers seated and a couple of late arrivals running for the plane. A lady dropped her toilet case, it burst open and greenbacks by the dozen fluttered across the parking ramp. The lady, her escort and employees gathered it all up while the plane waited ... And some guy in San Leandro is philosophical. His little compact got a banged-up fender so he painted above it: "Drip dry, but not wrinkle-proof."

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GROUND BREAKING for new U.S. Naval Hospital at Oakland, Calif. is planned for next month, October. RADM Harold J. Cokely, (MC) USN has announced the award of the contract for the \$14.5 million 9-story hospital.

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## New Navy Hospital



Construction bids will be opened next November 3 on the \$14 million, 650-bed Navy Hospital to be built in Oakland on the grounds of the present Oak Knoll Hospi-

tal on Mountain boulevard.

The design calls for a four-story base supporting a five-story cross-shaped tower.

Architects for the project

are Stone, Marraccini and Patterson and Associates, and Milton D. Pflueger, who also designed the new Letterman General Hospital to be built at the Presidio.





Campers have an opportunity to experiment with a variety of sports they have never tried before. Georgian Garren, assistant counselor, gives tiny camper a lesson with bow and arrow.

# Navy Relief, Auxiliaries Lend a Hand

By Tony Neri



Teen-age volunteers teach youngsters at Camp Kenton in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia. The camp for mentally handicapped children and adults is operated by the American Red Cross.

THE National Association for Retarded Children estimates that nearly six million persons, or three percent of the population, in the United States, are mentally retarded in some degree. Each year between 100,000 and 200,000 of the babies born are likely to become retarded.

Of this retarded population, 2½ million are under 20 years of age. Some two million of these are mildly retarded.

It is estimated that there are 75,000 mentally retarded children of military personnel.

Despite a marked increase of interest and activity in behalf of the retarded and handicapped, there aren't nearly enough personnel nor facilities to treat them. And, in the military, it is a "hard row to hoe."

In the first place, there is no authorization for the military to take care of dependents. There is no provision in the Medicare Bill which would bring help. The services have neither the finances nor the help to set up clinics. A few of the bases have provided assistance, but again, lack of money (and personnel) stymies authorities.

With the greater need to solve problems such as Vietnam, Santo Domingo, retention, retiree and reserve programs, the military lacks the time and resources to help the handicapped and mentally retarded child.

To the anguished parent, the "greater need" is the child. Only the parent knows the suffering and the heartaches. To the father — the dedicated military man — it sometimes means he has to leave the service in order to get help for his child.

On the outside there are hundreds of clinics specializing in services for the handicapped child. The number of beds in residential institutions has increased. Welfare agencies are more alert to the needs of the children, and are striving to provide necessary services, but there still is not enough help or facilities. An estimated 26,000 children are on waiting lists to receive care.

Legislation proposed by the late President Kennedy, has been passed, allocating funds for the expansion of activities on the federal, state and local levels for increased services for the retarded. But for the military such help has not been forthcoming.

Several states, however, are extending to transient military families the opportunity to use specialized educational facilities on the same basis available to state residents. Yet, military families have difficulty in establishing legal residence, meaning a longer wait and red tape to get help for their handicapped children.

A Pentagon survey has shown that it takes an average of \$1235 a year for institutional care, that is, when it is available. The National Association for Retarded Children says medical facilities available to military families with handicapped children may have waiting lists up to a year.

The Sea Services, like the Army and Air Force, depend mostly on help from the local level. The shortage of doctors is acute.

To the father of a handicapped child — trying to do the best job for his branch of the service and his country — the burden is tremendous. Only those affected can understand.

The Navy Relief Society, the dependable, ever-ready organization that is the embodiment of the "Navy always takes care of its own," helps greatly. Handicapped children are financed during a caretaker status period until vacancies exist in therapy schools.

Auxiliaries help on the local level. If the problems are insurmountable, cases are referred to Washington.

Rear Admiral Raymond P. Hunter, vice president of the Navy Relief Society in Washington, cites many cases in which his office and the auxiliaries have helped. In the Washington area the Society has been able to place children in the School for Retarded at Edgemead, Md.

Hunter has seen many cases where the retarded and handicapped — receiving early treatment and special training — develop into happy, normal children. He told of a marine, father of mentally retarded twins, who had to moonlight to make ends meet.

He was given help through the Navy Relief and one of the twins progressed so well she eventually was able to attend public schools. The other twin was placed in a state school. With this burden off his shoulders the Marine was able to stop moonlighting.

## Bethesda Facility

On January 11 an agreement was reached between the Medical Department of the Navy and the Public Health Service (HEW) to set up a mental retardation outpatient facility for children of the military at the National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Md., to be run on a cooperative basis.

The Navy is the primary provider of health services for the Navy and Marine Corps and the Public Health Service serves the Coast Guard.

The facility, to be known as the Diagnostic and Study Unit, will be staffed by the National Institutes of Health, which is located across from the Naval Medical Center. NIH had hoped to have the facility in operation by August, but extended renovation has forced a delay until January. However, NIH already has a staff of seven and will have 15 by January.

Research undertaken in the Diagnostic and Study Unit will be clinical in nature, and will concentrate on the biomedical and behavioral aspects of mental retardation. Programs carried out in the Unit will include diagnostic studies, parent counseling and guidance, and selected educational and therapeutic procedures for the retarded and their families.

In addition, the Unit will be used to train clinical and research associates.

Elsewhere the outlook for treatment or care as reported by local Naval authorities is as follows:

## 3rd Naval District

Initial evaluation of cases is conducted at Naval hospitals and dispensaries, and then referred to civilian facilities when these are available. There are no funds nor facilities available for custodial care or training of retarded children within the district.

## 4th Naval District

Many facilities in the Pennsylvania-New Jersey area offer assistance, determined by the circumstances and specific needs of individual cases. Pennsylvania provides diagnostic evaluation and custodial care for children of military parents who are legal residents of the state.

## 6th Naval District

In the Charleston, S.C. area, facilities include comprehensive neurological, psychological and psychiatric evaluation at the Naval hospital and Child Evaluation Clinic, as well as pediatric service at the Medical College of South Carolina. This latter service is on a fee basis for children below age of seven. Anticipated is the construction of a state-operated diagnostic and evaluation center to function as an integral part of a new Retarded Children's Habilitation Center. Among the

organizations assisting Naval families are the Child Development clinic, the Junior League Speech School, the Easter Seal Clinic and the Family Service Agency. Parent counseling is given in the department of psychiatry at the Naval Hospital. The Hope School for Trainable Retarded Children is maintained by the Charleston school district. Additionally, six school districts within the Charleston area provide classes for educable retarded children.

## 8th Naval District

Nearly 30 organizations have available services in the New Orleans and Louisiana area. These include the Association for the Development of Pre-School Blind Children, the Association for Retarded Children of Greater New Orleans, the Children's Bureau of New Orleans, the Crippled Children's Hospital, the Family Service Society, the Institute of Mental Hygiene of the City of New Orleans, Jefferson Parish's Department of Public Health and Welfare, Lighthouse for the Blind, the Louisiana Association for Retarded Children, the Society for Crippled Children, Louisiana state schools for blind, deaf and spastic children, Children's House (for the mentally retarded), and the Evaluation Center for Exceptional Children.

Corpus Christi, Tex. public schools have facilities for handicapped children at kindergarten, elementary and high school level. The kindergarten is sponsored by the Lions Club at no charge. The high school offers vocational training. In addition, a private non-profit habilitation center has been established for children over 12 who need to add more training to their special education classes. Tuition is based on ability to pay, the maximum being \$40 per month. A new dormitory will be ready in September. For those not trainable or educable, the Corpus Christi Opportunity House provides care for children under 12.

## 9th Naval District

In the Chicago area, the Grove School for the Handicapped is the only institution available. The school was started by Mrs. Edward J. Matson, and the teachers are parents of handicapped children, or who have close experience with them.

## 11th Naval District

Children of service families in the San Diego area may use the many facilities and aid available to the community.

## 12th Naval District

For the San Francisco area, the Naval Hospital at Oakland conducts child guidance clinic for children of active duty armed service personnel and referral services for those of retired personnel. Children are referred to the clinic when a medical officer feels that psychiatric or psychological studies are indicated or at the request of parents. They are also referred to the clinic by school counselors at all levels. The clinic, in Building 54, is open Monday through Friday.

During the past year, group psychotherapy for teenagers and parents has supplemented the doctor-patient interview. Schools have reported marked improvement in behavior and achievement of children under treatment.

Public schools offer classes for severely retarded children. Special schools are available for the educationally handicapped (those with IQ above the retarded level but with other behavior or emotional problems). Facilities are available to the orthopedically handicapped child at junior and senior high school levels.



## Diagnostic and study unit planned for military dependents at Bethesda

For the newly-arrived serviceman in the Bay area who is the parent of a handicapped child, information and guidance can be obtained from the Dept. of Special Education, Oakland Public Schools, 1025 Second Avenue, Oakland; Special Education Services, Alameda County School Dept., 224 West Winton Avenue, Hayward; Supervisor in Charge, Physically Handicapped Services, San Francisco Schools, San Francisco.

### 13th Naval District

Help is available in this area in Portland, Ore., and Seattle, Wash. There are few active Navy and Marine personnel in other district states (Montana and Idaho). The United Good Neighbors agencies include many public and private care for the handicapped.

UGN, 427 S. W. Eleventh Avenue, Portland 5, Ore., can provide a list of agencies for specific needs. Also, the School Social Work Dept. of Portland Public Schools, Child Services Dept., can help out.

In each county in Washington, state law provides for training facilities for handicapped children (including retarded) as part of the school system. The Community Services Division of the State Department of Institutions also maintains 33

child guidance clinics for disturbed children. The 13th Naval District's Chaplain's Dept. can provide further information.

### 14th Naval District

Army Tripler General Hospital in the Hawaii area provides in-patient and out-patient care for dependents of all branches of the service, though physical problems of general nature may be handled by dispensaries. Hospital has pediatric service, performing initial examinations, and refers patients to various departments. Hospital also helps place physically retarded in Honolulu schools such as the Pohukaina School for the Handicapped.

For mentally or emotionally retarded children, Tripler's pediatric, psychiatric and social work sections work together in providing therapy. Hospital's clinical psychiatrist conducts day-therapy sessions; chief of psychiatry and neurology holds child-psychiatry clinics, and group therapy is provided for disturbed youngsters.

Three clinics, special sessions and classes are in conjunction with treatment of physical illness or retardations when necessary. Tripler's social work section co-ordinates help through the family and the Hawaii Department of Education for appropriate schooling.



Bill Fiset

... Man Alive ...

Oakland Naval Hospital lost a benefactress this week when Lafayette's Mrs. Margaret Bainbridge died at age 85. She'd hand-knitted more than 250 afghans for patients. . . . Near Richmond a married couple got into a doozy of a fight which started, deputies reported, when the wife snatched her husband's whiskey bottle out of his hand and poured the contents down the sink. Many a fight has started over less. . . . San Leandro's Thelma Crane, shopping in Capwell's, bought a coat from—Thelma Crane. The two women discovered they had the same name, each has an in-law named Marion, and a son (and son-in-law) named Stephen.

## Society Helps Bridge the Chasm

By William R. Smedberg III  
Vice Adm., USN (Ret.)  
President, Navy Relief Society

The handicapped child of a service family presents many more unusual problems than such a child does in the ordinary civilian family. A military family seldom stays in a state long enough to establish residence and this is quite often a requirement to obtain state assistance or domiciliary care.

Again, the schools for exceptional children vary all over the country and all over the world, for that matter, so that a service child may be uprooted from a very fruitful environment and shifted to an area where his capabilities are not appreciated and his development falls behind.

Military authorities have long recognized these problems, but have been unable to assist with government funds. In an attempt to partially fill this void, the Navy Relief Society has worked for many years with handicapped children of Navy and Marine Corps families. This assistance has been for speech clinics, hearing clinics, cerebral palsied children, children requiring prosthetic devices, psychiatric care, special equipment to achieve mobility and utility, and all manner of assistance to enable a child to approach a normal life. For those whose capabilities are so limited as to preclude a normal life, and absorption in the family, the Society has helped bridge the chasm between care in the home and institutional care.

The policy of the Society is such that care for chronic diseases or ailments cannot be sustained, but when the prognosis is favorable, the Society continues its aid and seeks every means by which they can bring this child out of abnormality into a useful life. Recognizing that a helpless child in an active normal family can create problems that become intolerable at times, the Society has helped many, many families place their little exceptional children in a special home to care for them whilst awaiting a place in a state institution.

It is not fair to burden the other children of the family with a problem that demands the parents' every waking moment and it is far better to place this child in a home where his needs will be met so that the parents may devote their time to raising their more fortunate children.

The Navy Relief Society does not have a facility or special formal program to care for these handicapped children, but this is considered a routine part of our work. Our 52 auxiliaries scattered over the world, manned by a few employees, including a strong force of Navy Relief Society visiting nurses, and by many volunteers, work with the parents when these cases come to their attention and forward the information to Headquarters. Then, in cooperation with the Auxiliary, the American Red Cross and Headquarters, the resources that are available to this family are investigated and the plan best suited to the case is recommended to the parents and assistance offered them.

### State Aid

Military families seeking information about help available to them for exceptional children in the various states, should write to the State Department of Health in the state in which they are, or are about to be stationed, as quickly as possible. Most states will send a brochure listing the location of schools and aid available. The waiting period for acceptance may be a year or more.

## Surprise, Surprise, She Won The Prize

The most surprised person in Oakland today to hear that Dorris Ellis Coppoletta had been named High School Journalism Teacher of the Year—was Dorris Coppoletta.

"Oh, I'm so happy—when did this happen? Nobody told me," she said when The Tribune called to ask what she was going to do with the \$1,000 award.

Mrs. Coppoletta teaches English and journalism at Oakland Technical High School, she is a member of Governor Brown's advisory panel to promote higher teaching standards, and she was named a Wall Street Journal fellow in journalism in 1964.

The award was made by The Newspaper Fund, which is wholly supported by the Journal, with 35 lesser awards in its annual program for teachers of journalism, for their performance in their jobs and their communities.

"Of course I knew I was a Wall Street Journal fellow," she said, "but there are a lot of us throughout the country."

The awards were supposed to be announced Sept. 1, and I just thought, well, they must have announced it, and another one of those easterners or midwesterners got it!

"It's interesting that they decided to give it to someone from California. It will mean a lot to my students." In the six years of the awards, she is the first westerner and the third woman to be given the top prize. She plans to use it to study for her doctorate in journalism, while continuing to teach.

Her journalism career has included magazine work in New York while she was still "just a scared little kid from California," and heading the women's press corps for NATO, in the Southern European Command.

"Everything that's happened to me in journalism has been a question of being in the right place at the right time," she said, "I didn't have any more talent than anyone else — and working hard as the dickens, of course."

She went east in the '40s at the end of her junior year at U.C. as result of winning a Mademoiselle magazine contest, and became assistant beauty editor of a magazine called My Baby. "The offices were over the Stork Club, really they were," she recalled.

Fleur Cowles was her immediate superior. When Anita Colby went to Hollywood in 1948 Dorris replaced her as beauty and fashion editor of Photoplay Magazine and TV-Radio Mirror.

She had married a young doctor, Jay Coppoletta, and when he was sent overseas with the Navy in 1953 she applied for a job with NATO—and got the top one.

There she became a friend of Ambassador Clare Boothe Luce, and also her stand-in for some of the speeches Mrs. Luce was called on to make. "She would write them, all I'd do was read them," said Dorris, "she was a very exacting journalist. Up to the last minute I'd get telegrams saying, 'kill last graph, insert this,' and things like that."

Mrs. Coppoletta went back

to the University of California when her husband was assigned to Oakland Naval Hospital. She graduated in 1959, "and that always throws my students," she said, "they think I'm awfully young."

She took her master's degree in journalism. "I never thought of teaching," she explained, "but they got me a Ford Foundation grant. The foundation was looking for professional journalists to lure them into teaching."

She has a sister who is a newspaperwoman in the East, Kathleen Backus, of The Record, Northern New Jersey's largest paper. Her mother, Mrs. Paul George Ellis, now lives with another sister, Mrs. Robert Schram, of Ridgewood, N.J.

"Because I love journalism," she said, "I love working with these young kids. And the whole idea is to recruit them into this same fascinating life we've been able to enjoy."

She was recruited early—as a reporter on The Daily Californian and the Blue and Gold before she went to New York. She was president of Theta Sigma Phi, women's professional journalistic society, at U.C., and is now president of the local alumnae group.

Other teachers receiving lesser awards were Charles D. Bloch of Stagg High School, Stockton; Sister M. Paul Mehegan, Immaculate Conception Academy, San Francisco, both winning \$50 awards; and Robert T. Mikulicz, Pleasant Hill High School, honorable mention.



# THE WEATHER

Bay Area: Fair and warm. Small craft warnings for north-east winds 25-40 m.p.h. decreasing tonight. High temperature today 80-88; low 55-60. See Page 14.

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## Hospital Peril

High north winds whipping through the East Bay ripped loose a power line and touched off a grass fire that threatened the buildings of Oakland Naval Hospital and cut off power to a portion of the institution early today.

The winds broke countless power and telephone lines, igniting dozens of brush fires from Oakland to Livermore.

# Trail of Havoc in Eastbay

## Wind Downs Trees, Cuts Power Lines

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roads in the face of the fire danger.

The blaze was contained by 10 a.m. after it had raced up to the tops of homes on Jensen Road.

More than 20 firefighters battled a raging brush and timber fire in the Canyon Creek area on the east slope of Mt. Diablo that already has topped out more than 1,000 acres.

A State Division of Forestry spokesman said that a 54-mile-an-hour wind had whipped the fire out of control on its east and west boundaries. "We're trying desperately to save the park," said the spokesman. "If the north wind continues the situation will become serious."

Dozens of small fires, the majority touched off by sparks from broken power lines, were quickly extinguished.

Oakland firemen, many of them called back to work a double shift, brought a 10-acre brush fire at Grizzly Peak and Skyline Boulevards under control after a 5½-hour battle.

For a time the Oakland Naval Hospital was threatened by a brushfire that broke out at 12:30 a.m., but Oakland firemen and 50 naval volunteers using hand extinguishers beat back the blaze.

At Milpitas, a grassfire that broke out shortly after 5 a.m. roared over 300 acres before it was brought under control.

The blaze destroyed a number of outbuildings east of Calaveras and Evans Roads.

### TROUBLE SPOT

The wind toppled trees and sent broken branches smashing down on power lines, blacking out thousands of homes in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties for hours.

The Pacific Gas and Electric Company put on all available crews and opened its offices in Hayward, Fremont, Richmond and Oakland on a daytime basis to answer complaints.

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## Listening at Army Hospital

CONCORD—Although Gerald (Jerry) Lewis is just back from Hawaii he is not talking about swaying palm trees and hula dancers.

The little talking he does is about the listening he did in Tripler General Hospital to scores of young Americans wounded in Viet Nam.

One of them is his middle son, Robert, 19, a Marine recovering from extensive shrapnel wounds.

"He's going to be all right. He's one of the lucky ones," Lewis said. "The wife and I hope they send him to Oak Knoll where we can visit him."

The elder Lewis, who runs the police sub-station near Clayton, feels at home in military hospitals. He spent 11 months in Oak Knoll in 1956 after losing his legs in a tank training accident. The incident did not stop his oldest son from becoming an Army tank man in Europe.

And Jerry was hospitalized once in Hawaii. That was 20 some years ago after Guadalcanal, Tarawa, Saipan, — for three months. He still has a bullet in his hip.

Korea went better for him. Sweat and fear, but no blood.

Now 45, the former Marine gunnery sergeant believes Viet Nam "has to be the roughest of them all. With enemy all around our kids don't know which is which. We have to play the game humane."

"I'm proud of Robert. Fifty-two patrols. He was a wrestler at Del Valle High but he's not a big kid at all."

The senior Lewis thinks "everybody in this country ought to go over to Travis (Air Force Base) and watch those fine young men, white, colored and oriental, ship out. Wonderful young ones."

But Tripler is different. "The day I left they brought in 75 from Viet Nam. Real bad."

"Before that I listened for two days and nights without asking a question. The kids were bugged after hot, sticky days of combat, by being harassed all night. They look old and worn. They're men now."

The ex-gunnery sergeant is an easy-going type but some things bug him, too. With rising blood-pressure visible on his face as he said:

"Every one of those kids knew why he was in Viet Nam. What they don't understand is these little train-stoppers and draft-card-rippers here, the ones who decide which laws to ignore."

"I'm a simple Okie but I'd love to try to talk to those train-stoppers. Grown men, acting like that. Of course, with a police job, I wouldn't be eligible to talk to them."

The blood pressure seemed to recede and another thought emerged.

"It's going to take some time for those Army, Marine and Air Force kids to get healthy again."



JERRY LEWIS AFTER TALK WITH WOUNDED SON  
He keeps photo of Marine son in Clayton office

but as I listened to them I remembered what happened to the zoot suiters in L.A. in World War II when some of my friends came home.

"You know, when this new batch gets home I wouldn't be surprised if there's a sudden drop-off in things like train-stopping," the ex-sergeant said.

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## World of Women

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### Piping The Ladies Aboard

Cheese blintzes from Israel, sausage links from Vienna and sweet rolls from Denmark were among international menu items when newcomers and "old salts" boarded the good ship U.S.S. Oak Knoll for a champagne brunch given by Oak Knoll Hospital Officers' Wives Club. The festive occasion honored 150 members who have traveled or will travel to foreign lands as their husbands carry out assignments for Navy Medical Department. Mrs. Harold J. Cokely, wife of the hospital's commanding officer, was official hostess with Mrs. Sidney Arie, the executive officer's wife, assisting. Shown at the group's opening event are (from left) Mmes. John Dunkelberg, Charles Schutt, Francis Barham, Carl Healer and Thomas Malueg.

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### When It's Navy Vs. Stanford

Brigadier General and Mrs. Charles H. Gingles will be guests of Rear Admiral and Mrs. Harold J. Cokely for the Stanford-Navy game Saturday.

General Gingles is commanding officer of Letterman Army Hospital, and Admiral Cokely is commander of the Oakland Naval Hospital.

They will join more than 100 members of the Navy hospital staff who will make the trip to Palo Alto in chartered buses and return to the hospital officers' club for a dinner dance.



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## The Beginning of Progress

Rear Admiral Harold J. Cokely, commander of the Oakland Naval Hospital at 8750 Mountain boulevard, took the controls of this bulldozer yesterday to begin demolition of the hospital. When

the whole thing is cleared away, a new structure—9 stories tall, with 650 beds—will replace it. Completion is scheduled for early 1968. Patients, meanwhile, have been transferred to interim facilities on the site.

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**ADMIRAL AT THROTTLE**—Rear Adm. Harold J. Cokely mans a bulldozer to start demolition of old buildings that occupy site for new multi-million dollar, nine-story Oakland Naval Hospital. Demolition is to be complete in two weeks, with construction of the 650-bed hospital to begin in early December, the hospital commander said.

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## Marine Patients Will Mark 190th Birthday of Corps

The Marine Corps is 190 years old Wednesday.

And for Marines at Oakland Naval Hospital, it will be a special birthday.

There are 90 of them at the hospital — 40 recovering from wounds suffered in Viet Nam.

Col. Elliott Wilson, USMC, commanding officer of the Marine Barracks at Treasure Island, will be the senior Leatherneck on hand to help cele-

brate the birthday. Read Adm. H. J. Cokely, commanding officer of the Naval Hospital, will be the guest of honor.

There will be a giant-size birthday cake reserved for the patients by pretty airline stewardesses, and the cast of Kiss Me Kate — now at the Hyatt Music Theater in Burlingame — will pass out tickets to the play. Eight Purple Hearts will be awarded Viet Nam veterans to highlight the celebration.

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## Bill Fiset

... Man Alive ...

That line the other day about no surviving Oaklanders who served aboard the cruiser USS Oakland? No, I won't take it back, but some former crew members from other parts of the East Bay have been found by Wally Abernathy for today's dedication of the ship's mast at Jack London Square—Rear Adm. (Ret) Allen P. Calvert, who was skipper, now in Oakland Naval Hospital; George Oakes, the Hayward publisher; Vic Matusek of Concord, who was navigator aboard; Dr. Stephen Jensen, the Orinda dentist; H. C. Capwell, a Livermore Radiation Laboratory worker; San Leandro's Ray Fouché and Hayward's Robert H. Taylor . . . And that line about Philadelphia scrapple and how it sounds inedible? El Cerrito's E. Ellsworth Seiberts lug 30 pounds back here with them after every trip, stick it in the freezer and serve it at breakfast with fried apples and scrambled eggs.

It still sounds inedible, but then I'm unjustifiably prejudiced.

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## A Thank You Letter From Young Sailor to Midway

By JOHN HARRIS

**ABOARD USS MIDWAY, OFF VIETNAM**—Everyone knew the name: Aviation Seaman Jerry Terry.

When the captain mentioned Jerry's name over the ship's address system, total silence ensued.

In the wardroom, behind their spotless linen and gleaming silverware, the ship's officers—many of them combat flyers—sat motionless.

On July 27 Jerry, aged 20, was driving a tractor across the darkened flight deck of this great aircraft carrier. He apparently failed to see the lights warning that a deck elevator was down.

**THE TRACTOR** plunged into the elevator shaft, pinning Jerry under it.

Jerry lost both legs.

Now Capt. James M. O'Brien, commanding officer of the Midway, had received a letter from Jerry.

It came from Ward 76-a, U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, Calif.

**CAPTAIN O'BRIEN** read the letter to his crew: "Dear Captain O'Brien:

"I have delayed writing until now. I am walking and doing everything I used to except I can't lift heavy things. I am still at the hospital but it won't be much longer before I am out of the hospital for good.

"I want to thank you for keeping my wife and parents informed on my condition when I was injured and also please express my thanks to all the ship's personnel for the bonds. I can never thank you and everyone for all you have done for me.

"There is no better group of guys than there are on the Midway. I think the world of all of you and I am going to be waiting on the pier for the ship to pull in at Alameda, so hurry and come home.

"I say a little prayer for you and then I know everything will be all right, and all of you will return home safely.

"Well, I will close for now. Sir, please thank the doctor for me also the corpsmen, and V-1, and thank you sir. "God bless you.

"Jerry J. Terry."



**'I SAY A LITTLE PRAYER FOR YOU'**

Jerry Terry wants to see his old Midway pals again

**THIS LETTER** was received at sea, where the Midway is conducting attack operations against the Viet Cong in Vietnam, about 100 miles away.

Corpsmen are navy medics. "V-1" is the ship's department in which Jerry worked.

The crew of the Midway collected \$2700 in savings bonds for Jerry.

(Seaman Terry has been at Oakland Naval Hospital since Aug. 21, being fitted with artificial legs.)



## Veterans Yule Drive Starts

Somewhere in Viet Nam today an American serviceman was wounded. Another was hurt yesterday, and still another will be hit tomorrow.

Many of these men recover quickly.

They are among the lucky. Others are not.

They lose arms and legs, or they are crippled from metal that hits a vital part of the delicate makeup of a human being.

They are no different than men that preceded them before in World Wars I and II, and Korea.

### NEVER RECOVERED

Some of these men never fully recovered either.

And that is why a group of Eastbay citizens formed 42 years ago — to show these men we care; to show them we haven't forgotten.

The group is called the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee.

For 41 of these 42 years, they have made Christmas more than a word for men in Oakland Naval and Livermore Veteran Hospitals.

This Christmas, they hope to continue that record.

They want to decorate every ward of the two hospitals, and they want to stage a professional Christmas variety show at the two facilities.

They want, too, to load the bags of volunteer Santa Clauses to give every patient a gift.

### A G.I. CHRISTMAS

They want Christmas to be Christmas for the G.I.'s.

It will take \$17,750, they say, to do this.

So they want help.

Today marks the start of the annual drive to meet this goal.

There are approximately 1,200 men in the two hospitals — many of them veterans of the current war in Viet Nam.

Last year, 500 committee volunteers worked on the project. This year, more are expected.

A total of 2,731 persons and organizations donated to the cause.

The motto is, "Give To Those Who Gave."

It might be appropriate to add, "And to those who will give," for a G.I. will be wounded tomorrow in Viet Nam.

But he won't forget Christmas.

It is hoped he, in turn, won't be forgotten.

# A Grim Birthday Party



TWO MARINE CASUALTIES OF VIETNAM FIGHTING SIGHTS OF WAR  
Col. R. J. Tunnell Jr. (left) and Sgt. Bud Hurst.

## War's Scars Marine Celebration

By TOM FLYNN  
Tribune Military Writer

It was supposed to be a festive affair.

The theater at Oakland Naval Hospital was gaily hung with colorful crepe streamers.

There was a pretty cake decorated with a frosting Marine Corps emblem in observance of the Corps' 190th anniversary.

There were medals to be awarded, a drum and bugle team to perform, pretty airline stewardesses and members of the cast of "My Fair Lady" who volunteered to help serve the cake and punch.

But despite the asceptic and festive surroundings, the building seemed to reek with the odor of rice paddies and sweat and a dirty war thousands of miles away.

### SIGHTS OF WAR

There were the sights of war — a row of 14 men who sat quietly waiting for the ceremonies to begin.

Some were missing one leg, others had lost both. One young Marine was stooped over from a crippling wound he had received on a patrol in Viet Nam.

Marine Lt. Col. Robert Tunnell was one of them.

For what happened to him on October 1 of this year, his country pinned a Purple Heart on the lapel of his hospital bathrobe.

### STEPS ON MINE

He was leading a patrol of 15 men from his headquarters at Da Nang air base planning an operation against the Viet Cong when he stepped on a crude guerrilla mine.

It took off one of his legs just below the knee. And riddled one of his arms.

He smiled and stuck out his hand in greeting but grimaced



A PURPLE HEART FOR CPL. ROBERT DOUGLAS  
Rear Adm. H. J. Cokely pinned medal on Oaklander.

at even the lightest handshake. There were steel pins holding it together.

Sgt. Bud E. Hurst, a 27-year-old Marine veteran from Lodi, got his Purple Heart during the birthday ceremonies. He stepped on a mine and while he didn't lose a leg, he'll probably never be the same again.

### WOUNDS ON MEND

There were others, more than 40 in the room, who were recovering from wounds suffered in Viet Nam.

They smiled and chatted with

the stewardesses and newsmen who moved through the room. They nibbled at cake and drank coffee and told jokes.

Then, the party was over, the room emptied, and the guests left.

Nurses helped roll the wheelchair patients out a side entrance to the building.

A half dozen sat in the sun, smoking and waiting.

They didn't talk as the long gray Navy ambulance came down from their wards to return them to bed.

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## Support Christmas Committee

Three cheers for the Eastbay's Veterans Hospital Committee. For 41 years the committee has been bringing extra fun, warmth and feeling into the Christmas season for servicemen confined to the Oakland Naval and Livermore Veterans Hospitals.

This year the group will make it 42 years.

Judging from announced plans it will be a special year — and expensive. The budget calls for \$17,750.

Donations, without which the project would not be possible, should be sent to: Veterans Christmas Committee, 4444 E. 14th, Oakland.

The committee, composed of volunteers, is determined to make this a Christmas season that wounded servicemen at the two hospitals won't soon forget. There are about 1,200 men in the two facilities. Many received their wounds in Viet Nam.

The organization plans to decorate every ward in the two hospitals, stage a professional variety show at both places and provide a gift for every patient.

A veterans hospital can be a lonely place during the Christmas season. The hospital personnel make an effort to brighten the wards and do what they can for the occasion. But Christmas is that special time of the year when thoughts of family and friends are focused in a man's mind.

When it is not always possible for a wounded serviceman to be with his loved ones during this joyous time of the year, the next best thing is for him to know that he has not been forgotten.

The committee's motto this year is: "Give to Those Who Gave."

We all can do our part by supporting the Veterans Christmas Committee.

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ANNA M. MAHONY

## Red Cross' Anna Mahony Dies at 59

BERKELEY — Anna M. Mahony executive director of the Berkeley Chapter of American Red Cross, died yesterday in her home. She was 59.

She started her Red Cross career in 1943 as an assistant program director in Alaska.

During the next eight years she was recreation director at Oakland Naval Hospital, Letterman Hospital in San Francisco.

Before her move to Berkeley in September 1961, she was executive director of the Berkeley County Chapter and served in supervising capacities in the Cross blood programs in Kingston, W. Va., and Maine. Miss Mahony, who lived at 1310 Albina Ave., Berkeley, survived by a brother, Paul, New York City.

Friends are invited to their last respects at the Mary Chapel, 3030 Telegraph Ave., until 10 o'clock tonight. The funeral will be in New York City.

## Minor Surgery for Nimitz

Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz underwent minor back surgery two weeks ago and is recuperating at Oakland Naval Hospital. The Chronicle learned last night.

A Navy spokesman said

the five star admiral is making a "rapid recovery" and

probably will be allowed to

return to his Yerba Buena Island home sometime next

week.

The operation was described as minor surgery to

correct a back problem that

had been giving the 80-year-old Nimitz some trouble re-

cently.

The spokesman said news of the operation was withheld at the request of the admiral's family.

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## Doctors Reveal Nimitz Surgery

Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, 80, is recuperating at Oakland Naval Hospital from a minor back operation of two weeks ago, doctors disclosed today.

A Navy spokesman said the operation was kept secret at the request of Nimitz's family because the last time he was hospitalized, he got so many get-well telegrams, letters and cards that it took the admiral longer to answer them than to recover.

The spokesman said the five-star admiral was making a rapid recovery and probably would be allowed to return next week to his home on Yerba Buena Island.

## Adm. Nimitz Gains After Back Surgery

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, 80, Pacific commander during World War II, is recovering from a minor operation at Oakland Naval Hospital, it was learned Friday.

The Navy said Nimitz underwent back surgery two weeks ago for an ailment that has been bothering him.



## Rear Admiral A. P. Calvert Dies; World War II Hero

BERKELEY—Rear Adm. Allen P. Calvert (ret.), onetime skipper of the USS Oakland, died at the Oakland Naval Hospital yesterday, two days after a memorial dedication of his ship's mast at Jack London Square.

His World War II service also included command of the flotilla of PT boats in the Solomon Islands in which the late President John F. Kennedy won his Bronze Star for heroism.

One of the islands in the chain was named Calvertville in the admiral's honor. The destroyer Craven was another of his commands.

He was the third and last skipper of the ship named for Oakland which fought through a dozen major World War II battles. When the USS Oakland returned home crewmen boasted "They never laid a glove on her."

### ANNAPOLIS GRADUATE

The illness which led to his death at 63 prevented him from attending ceremonies Friday honoring his ship and the men who fought aboard her.

Admiral Calvert was within spitting distance of the battleship Missouri in Tokyo Bay, listening to ship's radios on the USS Oakland, as ceremonies ending World War II took place on the Missouri.

A native of Michigan, he graduated from the Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1924. As a lieutenant he earned an A.S. in engineering at Columbia University.

Under Adm. Calvert's command the USS Oakland was involved in many of her 10 "star" operations which included the sinking of a Japanese destroyer and transport vessel, bombardment of the enemy mainland and assistance in knocking down 16 Japanese aircraft.

### 30 YEARS SERVICE

After 30 years naval service he retired in 1954 after a brief, final period as commander of the Pacific Reserve fleet.

In 1955 he became chairman of the Engineering Department at Oakland Junior College, a post he held until shortly before his death.

One of his students, many of whom were former Navy men, said of him: "A grand guy, none of that 'Now hear this!' stuff. It would have been wonderful to have been on his ship."

While on General Douglas MacArthur's staff in the Pacific he was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal. He also won the Victory Medal and many battle citations.

He resided at 2816 Claremont Ave.

He is survived by his widow, Katherine, a son, Allen, of Alexandria, Va., and a stepdaughter, Catherine Lock Bur-

dun, of Santa Monica. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Treasure Island Chapel.

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## Obituaries

### Rear Admiral Allen Philip Calvert Dies

Rear Admiral Allen Philip Calvert, retired, died early yesterday at the Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, Oakland. He was 64.

Admiral Calvert's distinguished combat record in World War II included the command of a flotilla of PT boats in the Solomon Islands squadron in which the late President Kennedy served.

One of the villages in the Solomons has been named "Calvertville" after Admiral Calvert.

Another distinction in his record was the award of the Distinguished Service Medal from the Army, for his assistance to that organization while on the staff of General Douglas MacArthur in the Guadalcanal campaign.

Admiral Calvert was a 1924 graduate of the United States Naval Academy. He also was graduated from the National War College and had post-graduate work in marine engineering.

During World War II, he commanded the destroyer Craven. He retired from the Navy in 1954.

### SURVIVORS

He lived at 2816 Claremont avenue in Berkeley. He is survived by his wife, Katherine, a son, Dr. Allen S. Calvert of Alexandria, Va., and a stepdaughter, Catherine Burdun of Santa Monica.

Interment will take place Thursday in the Arlington National Cemetery. Memorial services will be held at the U.S. Navy Memorial Chapel on Treasure Island at a time to be announced.

Contributions to any blood-donor organization are preferred.

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## VETS CHRISTMAS FUND

### He Calls It Stupid, But--

#### Give--For Those Who Gave

Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee,  
4444 East 14th St.,  
Oakland 1, California, 94601

This is my way of saying "Merry Christmas" to the wounded and ill men and women in Alameda County's two military and veterans hospitals.

Here is my gift of \$..... to help you reach your goal of \$17,000 for gifts, entertainment and Christmas decorations for these men and women.

NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

This coupon may be mailed or presented in person with contributions to the committee office.

Freddy Bell, 18, didn't want his "dud" hand grenade to kill a fellow Marine, so he did what he calls today "a stupid thing."

He picked it up from a field in Viet Nam and started to defuse it himself.

It exploded.

And the 18-year-old lance corporal probably relives those agonizing moments time and again from his bed in Oakland Naval Hospital.

The grenade took his right arm from the elbow down, his right leg, and two fingers of his left hand.

"We were set up in a perimeter, and had been getting sniper fire," he recalled, telling of the October night he spent in a ditch near Da Nang.

"It was cloudy, and real dark. A flash of lightning went off, and I saw a man running toward us from the front."

"I figured it must have been a Viet Cong.... none of our guys would have been out there."

I threw one grenade, but for some reason it didn't go off.

"I threw another one, and I think I got him."

About six hours later, at dawn, his rifle company got the word to move out. The young Oklahoman looked for his dud, and saw it lying off to the side of the trail.

"I could never live with the thought that the thing went off and got another marine. I

didn't think it would go off... it had been lying there for six hours."

"It was a pretty stupid thing to do, I guess..."

Freddy had been in Viet Nam two months.

He joined the Marine Corps about a year ago.

"We were a tight bunch of guys... we'd always help each other out in tough spots. We had a top company."

Freddy would like to be back in Viet Nam. Ironically, he misses it, mostly because of the buddies he has there.

The other men in his battalion chipped in to buy him the Marine Corps ring. He lost his first one in the explosion.

The Marine vet is not unlike the others in the amputee-filled ward at Oakland Naval Hospital: His morale is high, despite a tragic loss in a bitter war.

Others stepped on mines or

booby traps, or were victims of enemy mortars.

They already have plans for Thanksgiving.

Their Christmas is uncertain. It is for men like them, and the hospitalized veterans from World Wars I and II that the Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee is making its annual drive.

The drive has gone on since World War I. Members hope to continue it as long as there is a need.

This year, they need \$17,750 for their work: decorating Oakland Naval and Livermore Veterans Hospitals, providing a Christmas entertainment show, and buying a gift for every man in every ward.

The theme is, "Give to Those Who Gave."

Here are the latest who have, boosting the 1965 total to \$5,407.06:

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### Reading Matter Sought for Oak Knoll Patients

"Let us not forget, lest we, too, be forgotten," says Margaret Sloan, who is collecting pocket books and magazines for patients at the Oakland Naval Hospital—especially for those who have returned from Viet Nam.

Mrs. Sloan is in the Shipping Branch of the Material Department's Freight Terminal Division in Bldg. 341-E. Her code is 306.321. Her telephone extension (under the CENTREX system going into effect today) is 6072. She will arrange for private transportation to get the reading material to the hospital.

Mrs. Sloan has a son and a grandson in the Army in Viet Nam, another son who retired after 20 years in the Army, and two sons-in-law in service—one in the Army, the other in the Navy.

Her call for reading material for hospitalized service personnel is one that she has been making for several years.



# World of Women

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## Robin Orr

... The Social Circle ...

**NAVY PARTY CHIT CHAT** ... Rear Adm. and Mrs. Harold Jay Cokely of Oakland Naval Hospital entertained Tuesday at a black tie dinner in honor of Rear Adm. and Mrs. John E. Clark of Treasure Island. Admiral Clark is commandant of the Twelfth Naval District, reported here in September from Point Mugu.



REAR ADM. HAROLD COKELY ... no boys this time

Other guests at the dinner party were Rear Adm. and Mrs. Edward F. Metzger of Oakland's Naval Supply Center, Rear Adm. and Mrs. William D. Irvin of Treasure Island (he commands the Military Sea Transportation Service, Pacific) and Rear Adm. and Mrs. Marshall W. White of Alameda (he commands Carrier Division Seven).

Saturday evening, Admiral and Mrs. Cokely were hosts again, this time at cocktails and what they call a "20-boy curry" buffet, and their houseguest, Mrs. Ralph D. Ross of San Diego, was the honoree.

Mrs. Ross is the widow of a Medical Corps captain formerly attached to the Oak Knoll staff.

The "20 boy curry," according to Mrs. Cokely, goes way back to Admiral Cokely's early navy days in China, when he was assigned to the Yangtze patrol and there was a boy to serve each condiment.

Hence the title of the buffet. But at this party, said the hostess, "it was every guest for himself."



Miss Alameda County, Barbara Harris, gives Christmas preview to wounded Marine from Viet Nam

## He Gives His Mite For Viet Buddies

"I hope this small gift will help in a big way."

This was the short note that accompanied two \$1 bills sent to the Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee by PFC Roger Oeding of Oakland.

"I don't know if he had a special reason behind sending it," his mother says. "Maybe some friends of his were hurt or killed. ... I just don't know."

Roger has been in Viet Nam six weeks, stationed with a signal battalion with the 1st Infantry Division in Phuoc Vinh, north of Saigon. He was drafted into the Army a year ago.

Oeding, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Oeding, 4800 Brookdale Ave., was familiar with the committee's work because his mother had been a volunteer worker with the group for many years.

His money might be used to buy a gift for a wounded buddy at either Oakland Naval or Livermore Veterans Hospitals.

Then again, it might go to someone he doesn't know. But it will help a veteran.

And it will help boost the committee's collections toward its goal of \$17,750 to provide decorations and entertainment at the two hospitals, and gifts for each patient.

The theme is "Give to Those Who Gave."

Those wishing to donate can send contributions to the committee at 444 E. 14th St., Oakland.

Here is a list of the latest donors:

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## Give--For Those Who Gave

Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee, 444 East 14th St., Oakland 1, California, 94601

This is my way of saying "Merry Christmas" to the wounded and ill men and women in Alameda County's two military and veterans hospitals.

Here is my gift of \$..... to help you reach your goal of \$17,000 for gifts, entertainment and Christmas decorations for these men and women.

NAME .....  
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This coupon may be mailed or presented in person with contributions to the committee office.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Meyer	5.00		
<b>BERKELEY</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$428.00</b>
Pay Miller	2.00	Previously acknowledged	\$561.00
		<b>Total to date</b>	<b>\$989.00</b>

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## BATTLE LOST

### Auto Crash Injury Fatal To Navy Man

**ALAMEDA** — Navy Chief Petty Officer Kenneth Francis Leahy, in a coma since he was injured in an auto accident on Oct. 5, died late yesterday at the Oakland Naval Hospital. He was 37, and the father of 11 children.

His wife, Margaret, and his children had been constant visitors at his bedside during the long ordeal, but he never regained consciousness, hospital personnel said.

He was injured when his car went out of control on the Nimitz Freeway near the Tennyson Road off-ramp and crashed into another.

Mr. Leahy had been in the Navy 20 years and was a chief photographer's mate at the Moffitt Field Naval Air Station. He was a native of Chicago, Ill., and he made his home here at 1804 Nason St.

In addition to Mrs. Leahy, he is survived by his children, Jacqueline, 17, Kathleen, 15, Michael, 14, Susan, 12, Patrick, 11, Thomas, 9, Robert, 7, twins, Barbara and Beverly, 5, Brian, 2, and John, five months.

Mr. Leahy was president of the Holy Names Society at St. Barnabas Catholic church and he taught high school catechism there.

A Requiem High Mass will be sung for Mr. Leahy at 9 a.m. tomorrow at St. Barnabas Church. Funeral services will commence at the Hagy-Kennan Mortuary, Central and Ninth Streets, at 8:30 a.m. Rosary services will be held at 8 p.m. today at the mortuary.

# World of Women

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## Navy Wives Plan Sale

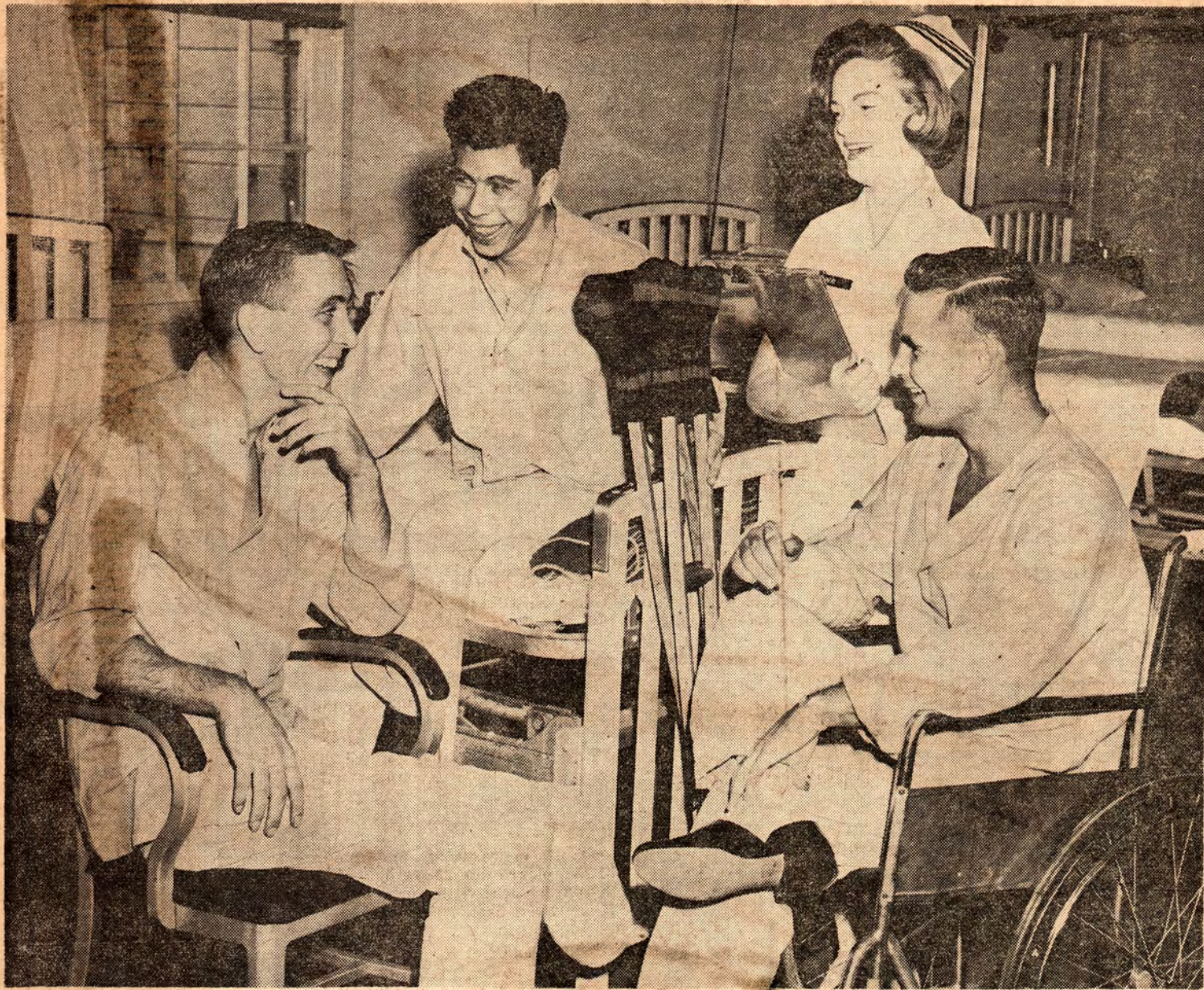
Home-made cookies, cupcakes, brownies, pies, jams, jellies, candies, pickles, breads, rolls, calendars and cookbooks will go on sale Friday, Dec. 3, at Navy Exchange Lobby in Oakland's Oak Knoll Hospital.

Sponsored by Officers Wives' Club, the sale will provide stipends for a Christmas basket project and for a scholarship fund.



# Colorado Heroes Have 'No Regrets'

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Shown here at the Oak Knoll Navy Hospital in Oakland, Calif., are, from left, Marine Pfc. Jesse Anderson of Denver; Seaman Leroy V.

Roybal of Pueblo; Navy Lt. Marilyn Reid (ward nurse); and Marine Lance Corp. David Mammel of Denver. The Coloradans share a ward.

By MARY ELLEN LEARY  
Scripps-Howard West Coast  
Correspondent

OAKLAND, Calif., Nov. 25—"The way I see it," Marine Pfc. Jesse Anderson, 23, hitched his lanky body to ease the bandaged stub of his left leg, "it's a small price to pay for the privilege of living in this country."

He meant the leg he'd lost to a Chinese-made 81 mm. mortar shell that hurtled out of the jungle beyond Chu-Lai last Aug. 18 and wounded or killed the better part of an American battalion.

"If you could see the way those Vietnamese live, their houses a bunch of dried grass, their food a bowl of rice, and work-work-work from dawn to night. And all the time, constantly, afraid. . . . You get a new feeling about this country. . . ."

He grinned comfortably. His thin face with its hospital palor wears a quiet confidence for the future. No regrets.

REGRETS WOULDN'T do anyway in the Oak Knoll Navy Hospital ward he shares here in Oakland, Calif., with others who left an arm or both legs in some Viet Nam hillside or rice field, or lie trussed and bandaged to heal bodies maimed by Viet Cong mines.

The U.S. wounded from Viet Nam are pouring into hospitals across the country, most of them flown to Travis Air Base near San Francisco Bay then transferred immediately to military care as near as possible to their homes.

But Oak Knoll Hospital, on the hills above the Bay, has five Coloradans right now. Most of

them are here because this sprawling maze of worn World War II white frame structures is one of the nation's most successful centers for prosthetics, treating burns and amputee rehabilitation.

Anderson, whose family lives at 4917 Milwaukee st., Denver, will walk again. His left leg will be artificial. He's adjusted to the fact it will take many months. And he may not go back to exactly the same job he had five years with Miller's Supermarket. In the 18 months from enlistment in the Marine Corps to the awesome mid-battle moment when his platoon was pinpointed by mortar attack he lived a sizable chunk of current history.

"AT FIRST, VILLAGERS are scared to death of us. They expect us to abuse them like the Viet Cong do. But we'd get to know them pretty well. We'd take a village, drop back for reinforcements, then have to take it all over again. Once we left, the VC would come back. Maybe the Vietnamese couldn't speak English but they got so they could call most of us by our first names, we'd fight back in so often. Eventually, we'd make victory stick. And the villagers are out in their field now. . . . That is, where we've made it stick."

IN THE SAME WARD and hurt in the same Chu-Lai push is Cpl. David Mammel, of 1255 S. Irving St., Denver, recovering from multiple shrapnel wounds.

Neighbor to them in the next ward is Leroy V. Roybal, 23, of Pueblo, whose battle injury was somewhat indirect but equally disabling. Working through the night aboard the U.S.S. Coral

Sea readying munitions for one of the first air strikes U.S. forces made against the Viet Cong, Roybal slipped and his foot was caught by the ship's munitions elevator. The multiple fractures are mending now, and for a man who has been in the Navy since 1961 he is willing, if need be, to add more time in Viet Nam waters to three months he spent there before he was hurt. But he hopes, first, for a chance to visit his Pueblo family, including his parents, and his sister, Bertha and brother, Steven.

DENVER'S 19-YEAR-OLD Mammel had weeks of it, after first coming into the Chu-Lai area via battle-ready beach landing.

Two battalions of Marines made their way inland, formed a camp and set out on "search and clear" missions.

There is an element of pride for Mammel in the fact that after one all night push through rice paddies and jungle a grenade jarred him to the ground and bit holes into his legs and body. For he was in the lead company because top marksmanship had earned him a place on what was rated the battalion's best fire team, chosen as "point team" to lead the march.

CORPORAL FRANK LEE, 24, of Longmont has been a Marine since 1960 and seen service ranging from Alaska to Hawaii. But the past seven months were in Viet Nam.

"We saw a little action. . . . He brushes it off lightly. "We'd run those patrols. . . . My unit is still over there."

He was injured in a road accident, getting back to camp out of Da Nang one night. He was riding the only thing available, a fork-lift. And it fell when it

hit a shell hole, jarred him off, then ran over him.

JOSE ALFIRIO ARELLANO, 20, of Blanca, Colo., had been in Viet Nam three months on one Marine task after another before he got assigned to patrols. On his second patrol, while helping load a helicopter, he was on the target spot when a mine went off. He is walking with crutches now, recovering from a broken leg and scattering of wounds up his right side. Only last week they took the cast off and gave him a pair of new shoes.

"What is it like in Da Nang?" He has a voice so gentle you have to lean forward to hear.

"Oh, it's not a pretty sight. The way those people live. I've seen poor people in this country. But in America you just don't know how hard life can be. . . ."

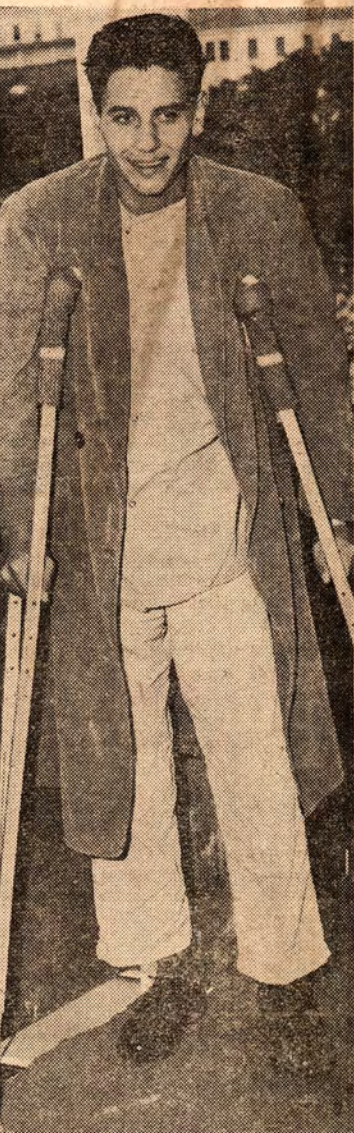
He talked about the little Colorado town of 500 where he grew up and where his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Demacio Arellano live now, his sister Lily and his brothers, Frankie and Donnie. "Ever since I was in school there, I knew I wanted to be in the Marines. I wanted to serve my country. I'm glad I could."

THEY ALL CROWDED together while the Navy photographer figured how to group them for his picture, and the rest of the men in the ward kidded them noisily, good humoredly.

"What are you guys from Colorado? A bunch of heroes?" "No fair," somebody pointed out to the photographer. "You've got Roybal seated so his cast doesn't show."

"That's all right," Anderson shot back. "My leg doesn't show either."

And they roared with laughter, the whole ward. Because of course Anderson hadn't any leg. It was the sort of laughter young soldiers have been able to muster down through the ages of man. Heroes' laughter.



Lance Cpl. Jose A. Arellano  
Blanca



Marine Cpl. Frank Lee  
Longmont

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## Developers Seek More Units On Lots Near Navy Hospital

Owners of a 4.5-acre tract above the Oakland Naval Hospital are seeking Planning Commission approval on a new subdivision plan which would increase by half the number of apartments they can presently build.

The proposal was submitted yesterday by Angelo and Pete Spinardi, builders in Oakland and San Leandro, who bought the property from the Sterling Development Company.

The property fronts Rile a Way, between Keller Avenue and Greenridge Drive. There now are 12 lots, averaging 30,000 square feet. Six apartment units could be built on each lot.

The Spinardi brothers propose to rearrange the property into 23 lots, upon which a total of 106 units, in four and sixplexes, would be built.

Gust Zigenis, an Alameda and Oakland builder, would buy the lots and do the actual construction in stages, the commission was told.

### COULD BUILD NOW

Legally, said Chester E. Caldecott, the Spinardi's attorney, his clients could re-subdivide each of the present large lots into three new lots with frontages of from 40 to 50 feet and put a fourplex on each one, totalling at least 144 lots.

"We can do that right now without asking anybody," Caldecott told the commission. "But we don't want to build that type of development."

Planning Director Norman Lind had recommended that a planned unit development (PUD) concept be considered for the plateau site which would allow a variety of building groupings, landscaping, better views, and make the development itself better to look at.

The proposed project is likely to be repetitive and visually dull, Lind said, and could be seen from many points, particularly the MacArthur Freeway.

But Caldecott replied that a PUD would require a tangle of conflicting easements and is too complicated and expensive for his clients.

The commission will decide the matter Dec. 22.

### APPROVE CENTER

In other business, the commission approved two rezonings yesterday, including the 200-acre Oak Center Redevelopment Project, which has already won City Council approval.

The Oak Center area merely assigned the proper zoning category to the various uses called for in the redevelopment plan.

Eliminated were the industrial zone along Market Street and

the high rise apartment and commercial zones.

Several commercial uses on 14th and on 12th at Adeline and Chestnuts streets will be allowed to remain as conditional uses, however. Most of the project was zoned for medium density apartment use, with high density zones set along 14th and Adeline Streets.

Also, the city's first M-20, light industrial, zone was designated between 12th, 16th, Union and Poplar Streets. This zone, created in the newly adopted zoning code, is designed as a buffer between heavier industrial and residential zones.

Special standards on noise, vibration, odor, etc. will exist there.

Another rezoning would substitute the "office-commercial" zone for the "medical center" designation between 27th and 28th Streets and the commercial frontages of Telegraph Avenue and Webster Street.

The original request was made by Sierra Service, Inc., a development company which proposed to build its headquarters on a vacant parcel owned by the Catholic Church midway in the block.

The rezonings will be taken up by the City Council for final action.

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## Ceremonies for Navy Hospital

Ground will be broken Tuesday for the new \$14 million Oakland Naval Hospital.

The ceremony will mark the official start of construction of the nine-story, cross-shaped hospital that is expected to be completed by mid-1968.

Plans call for removal of most of the World War II vintage structures that make up the existing hospital.

The ground-breaking ceremony has been preceded by several

months of site clearance work.

Officials said a low bid for the main construction work has been accepted by the Navy and is now pending approval by the Defense Department.

The new hospital will have 650 beds and be located in a hill-encircled area near the existing hospital's administration building.

The final design calls for a four-story base structure surmounted by a five-story tower.



## VET. HOSPITAL FUND

# Patients Believe in Santa After Arthur Ames Visits

Arthur C. Ames is 60 years old and he believes in Santa Claus.

He's made believers of others, too.

Ames has given up his Christmas every year since 1943 to convert non-believers, and he'll be at it again come Dec. 25.

Ames heads the Santa Claus Corps for the Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee.

"I remember one year," he recalls, "when I was leaving a ward full of amputees. The nurse who was with me started crying, and I asked her why."

"She said, 'I never believed in Santa Claus until now.'"

"It's a wonderful and emotional experience, helping these kids out. When you walk into the wards, you can see the change in their faces."

"Some of them start to cry, and there are a lot of times when I start to choke up."

Ames says he became associated with the committee shortly after being released from the military. "I was healthy and uninjured . . . but a lot of men weren't as lucky. I figured that Americans owed these men something, because they had given so much of themselves. And I felt I should do what I could."

He helped the committee decorate the various veterans' hospitals in the Eastbay, and did other volunteer work for two years. Then he took on the role of Santa Claus.

"I remember during the Korean war that a lot of men had frozen hands and feet. I used to just lay the gift down next to them, on a table or something, and wish them a merry Christmas and good health. I always tell the men I'd see them at their homes next year."

"I believe that Santa Claus is a busy guy, so I don't spend much time with them . . . but it's a very emotional thing to see these men; to watch their faces when they receive their gifts."

"One year I was taken to present a gift to a veteran of the Spanish-American War. He had been blind for many years, and had just undergone an operation to regain his sight. They took the bandages off as I stood there, and I guess the first thing he saw was Santa Claus. It was quite an experience for me."

Ames said it's hard for him to keep his composure when he gives presents to some of the seriously ill.

"Some of them are terminal cases. When you get to them, they turn away. You know you are bringing back some deep memories . . . maybe memories of healthy days and Christmases at home."

Ames, an East Bay Municipal utilities District executive who lives in San Leandro, says it's tough being a Santa Claus. "I believe you have to put yourself in Santa's place, both mentally and spiritually, otherwise you'll



ARTHUR C. AMES

fall flat on your face when you walk into that ward."

The amiable Santa says something would be missing if he didn't take his role every year.

"The hospitals' committee makes a big difference at Christmas time. To bring a little to these men is little enough . . ."

# New Navy Nurses Draw No Whistles

There's Only 5  
Of Their Kind

By JERRY BELCHER

Navy nurses, as anyone who saw the musical "South Pacific" knows, are cute and utterly feminine and get stared at through telescopes by sailors.

That's the way it used to be, anyway, in the Old Navy. But in the New Navy it ain't necessarily so—at least not in every case.

The fact is that there are a couple of totally un-cute, utterly unfeminine Navy nurses making the rounds these days at Oakland Naval Hospital.

ONE IS A six-foot, 185-pound former fullback. The other is a six-foot, 200-pound erstwhile basketball center. They are Ensigns George M. Silver, 26, and Israel S. Miller, 22, both members of the Navy's first five-member class of male nurses.

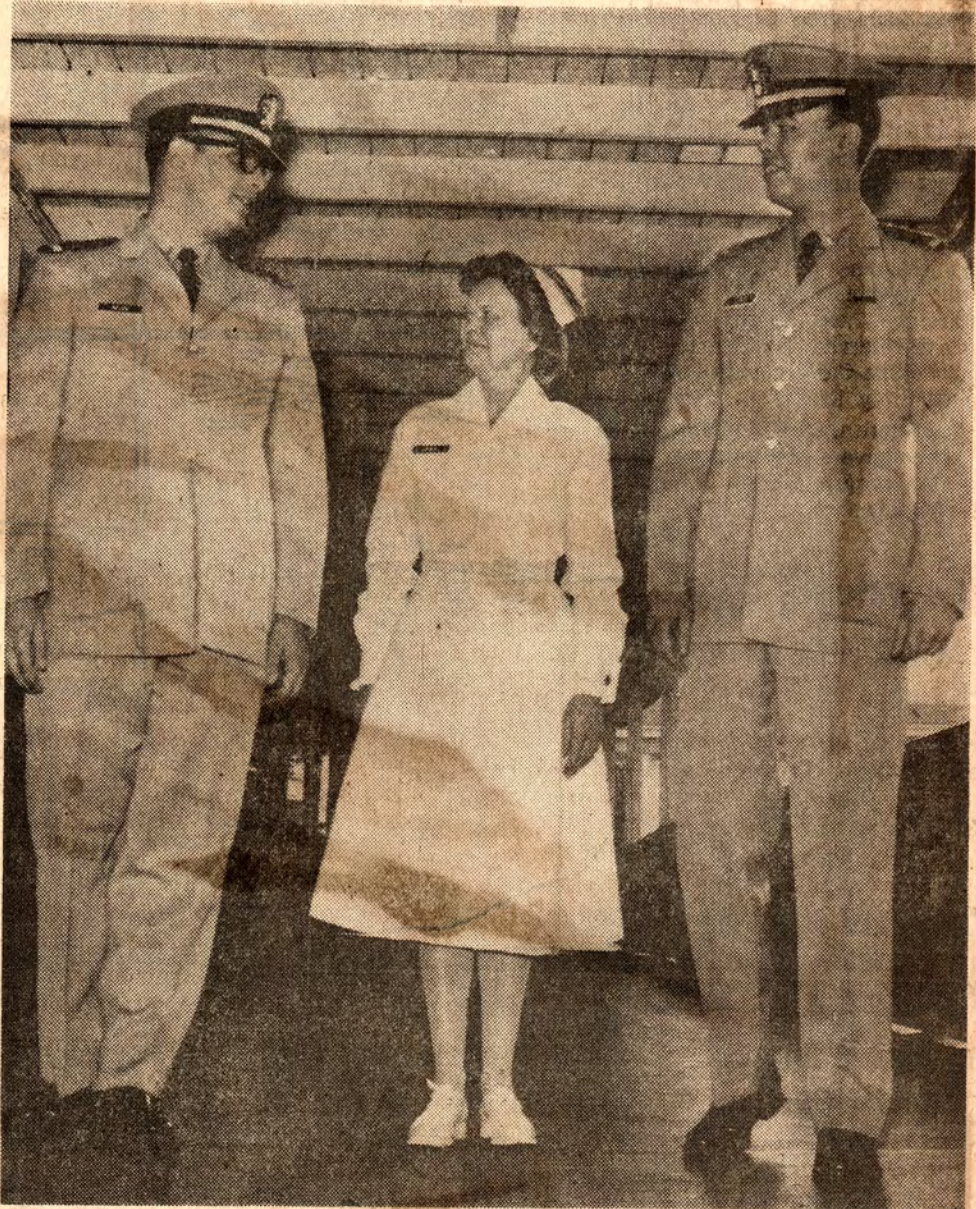
Silver and Miller were assigned to the sprawling East gentleman-type patients. Bay hospital this week. They're the only male nurses on a nursing staff of 113.

The idea doesn't bug them at all. Both were RNs (registered nurses) before taking their commissions in the Navy Nurse Corps.

SILVER, MARRIED and the father of a 3-year old boy, earned his nursing degree at McLean Hospital in Belmont, Mass., served as assistant head nurse at Taunton (Mass.) State Hospital from Sept. 1964 until October of this year.

Miller, a bachelor, is a 1964 graduate of the nursing school at New York's Bellevue Hospital and worked there until he accepted his Navy commission last month.

So, with practical experience behind them, both men know what kind of wisecracks and kidding to expect from lady-type nurses and they agree that, after while, both nurses and patients accept them for what they are—men who happen to



LT. COMDR. MILDRED C. HENRY WITH NEW NURSES  
Ensigns Israel S. Miller (left) and George M. Silver at Oakland hospital

be interested in medicine and nursing.

SILVER AND MILLER were recruited earlier this year because, as always, there was a shortage of good nurses. The Navy Nurse Corps is only 2,000 strong. The Army and Air Force have been using male nurses for years.

Rear Admiral H. J. Coker, commanding officer of the Oakland hospital, welcomed Silver and Miller to his staff yesterday. And, he

predicted, male nurses would seem to be "the coming thing" in the Navy Nurse Corps.

He had no comment on how he thought the two rugged looking nurses would be accepted by ailing sailors.

BUT SILVER thought it would work out just fine. In the first place, he noted, he didn't enter re officers, and ordinary sailors don't make wisecracks about officers—at least not within earshot of officers.

And in the second place, added the ex-fullback, "I've got a good left hook."

# Can You Call Them Shavers?

By LLOYD BOLES

A couple of six-foot, 200-pound nurses are making the rounds of the Oakland Naval Hospital—and you'd better call them mister.

Navy Ensigns Israel S. Miller, 22, and George M. Silver, 26, aren't just nurses. They're registered nurses and two of the first five male nurses to enter the Naval Nurse Corps under a new program.

Silver became the first male Navy nurse in history to join the corps two months ago. Miller followed a few days later.

Although the Army and the Air Force have been using male nurses for years now, the Navy had clung to the tradition of females only in its historic Nurse Corps.

"The concept of male nurses is not new," said Miller. "They ministered to the soldiers during the time of ancient Greece."

The Navy isn't new to Silver. He served a hitch as a Navy Corpsman third class from 1959 to 1961 at the Naval Hospital at Memphis, Tenn. And he has a modest tattoo on his left forearm to prove it.

After leaving the service Silver, of Dighton, Mass., completed a strenuous three-year course which led to his "RN" rating.



NAVY NURSES ISRAEL S. MILLER (LEFT) AND GEORGE M. SILVER  
No restrictions at all—except, of course, the Nurses' Lounge

Miller, of Lawrence, Mass., took the same tough course at New York's Bellevue Hospital, specializing in psychiatric care.

Both men want to make the Navy a career and work toward a higher rank. Practically all of the 116 Navy nurses at the hospital outrank them now.

The men receive no special treatment and their profession is virtually unrestricted. Off limits, of course, is the "Nurses Lounge," they laughed. They use the doctor's lounge.

Lt. Comdr. Mildred Henry, veteran Navy nurse and educational coordinator at the hospital, said the men will work at every assignment female nurses have except the obstetric ward. "And the only reason they won't work there is because there is an adequate staff of female nurses there at this time."

Their dress is identical with the regular officer's uniform, officer's whites for work and dress blues for off duty. They wear the ensign's single gold bar at the collar and a single gold stripe with an oak leaf on each shoulder.

How do the nurses feel about the "intrusion" into the all female field? "We're glad to have them aboard," said Lt. Laura Cautin.





**OPERATION CHRISTMAS**—Felix Chivalo, a director of the Veterans Hospital Christmas Committee, holds a wreath destined for Oakland Naval

Hospital as Capt. Sidney L. Arje, hospital executive officer (left), and Arthur Daniels, past committee president, look on.

## VET HOSPITAL FUND

# Only a Dollar— But With Love

"It's only a dollar—but sent with love to those who have given so much."

"My brother will spend Christmas in Viet Nam."

Another note read, "Six months hospital vet of World War II. I'm out, but know what it is like to be there."

The Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee thus came closer to its goal of \$17,750 to provide decorations, gifts and entertainment at Oakland Naval and Livermore Veterans Hospitals.

The committee is in its 42nd annual campaign. Help is going to victims of four wars, including Viet Nam — for at Oakland Naval Hospital there are recent amputee victims, some of them in their teens.

Theme for the drive is "Give to Those Who Gave."

Latest donors are:

**OAKLAND**  
Laid No. 72  
In memory of Bill "Doc" Weiss \$ 5.00  
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Margaret J. Kanevin 2.00  
Ladies of Circle No. 4, First Baptist Church 5.00  
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Mrs. Joel L. Lewis 2.50  
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Sunset Rebekah Lodge No. 109, I.O.O.F. 5.00  
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In memory of our dear son, Howard C. Childs, who passed away in the Oakland Veterans Hospital on 6-22-62 5.00  
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Mrs. Elizabeth Shaw 2.00  
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Oakland Police and Fire Retirement Association, Inc. 10.00  
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## VET HOSPITAL FUND

# A 1950 Patient Sends Donation

The donor sent \$5, and a note which read, "From a 1950 patient at Oakland Naval Hospital, Ward 76, who was cheered at Christmas."

He is one of the hundreds of veterans and other Eastbay residents who have boosted the Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee drive past the \$14,600 mark.

Goal for this year's drive is \$17,750. The theme is "Give to Those Who Gave." The money will provide decorations, entertainment and gifts at Oakland Naval and Livermore Veterans Hospitals.

Donors like the man in Ward 76 are giving, even though they once were among those "who gave."

Another donor wrote, "I wish I could give more, but due to my being a shut-in myself I do the best I can. I trust many, many people will open their hearts and give what they can toward this worthy cause . . ."



**VETS COMMITTEE MEMBERS SEND DONOR RECEIPTS**  
Mrs. Arthur Daniels (left), Mrs. Gunborg Valentine

# Vets Yule Aid Needed

The Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee needs donations. It is still short of its goal of \$17,750.

But it needs volunteers too—volunteers to help with decorations at Oakland Naval and Livermore Veterans Hospitals.

For it will start this coming weekend to implement the first of its three-point program—decorations, entertainment and gifts for each patient.

The two hospitals will become the target Dec. 18 and 19 of 300 Christmas trees, roughly 21,600 ornaments, and 500 wall decorations.

There are approximately 1,000 areas within the two hospitals to be decorated. Every room and every ward, where it is medically safe, will be decorated.

It will take a lot of people. Volunteers are asked to contact the committee headquarters at 444 E. 14th St. if they can help.

Latest donations have brought the total to more than \$16,000.

The names of latest donors are:

**OAKLAND**  
Mike Megas \$ 5.00  
A. D. Lewis 1.00  
Oakland Women's Rowing Club 10.00  
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As ever a friend of the men 2.00  
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In memory of Orron and Earl Linn 10.00  
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Welsh 2.00  
Mary E. Moore 5.00  
Veronica E. Ward 2.00  
**ALBANY** 2.00  
Miss Mabelle A. Cannon 1.00  
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In memory of all department sisters of Carl H. Kreh Auxiliary to Post No. 1128 5.00  
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To honor Bill, Mission San Jose 5.00  
Mrs. F. A. Stappart, Pleasant Hill 1.00  
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San Pablo 5.00  
C. E. Bogue, Santa Cruz 5.00  
Paul E. Rivers, Auxiliary No. 7906 5.00  
V. F. W. Union City 5.00  
F. D. Halbert, Villa Grande 5.00  
Total 15,254.76  
Previously acknowledged 500.00  
Total to date \$16,254.76



**READY TO DECORATE**—Peter Kristich, personnel chairman of the Veterans Hospital Christmas Committee, shows a Santa Claus decoration to Mrs. Harold Cokely, wife of Rear Adm. Harold J. Cokely, commanding officer of Oakland Naval Hospital, and Larry Rod-

riguez, public relations chairman for the committee. The decorations will be put up at Oakland Naval and Livermore Veterans Hospitals this coming weekend, providing enough volunteers are on hand.



# Anchors Aweigh For Hospital



Marine guard stands at parade rest as his superiors dedicate new \$14.5 million Oakland Naval Hospital

## \$14 Million Naval Hospital To Rise in Oakland Hills

Ground was broken yesterday for the new \$14.5 million Oakland Naval Hospital—24 years to

the date after the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor and plunged the United States into World War II.

The date was chosen because subsequent events in the Pacific in 1941 dictated the need for construction of the "temporary" hospital at Oak Knoll in the Oakland Hills that has served the fleet for more than 23 years.

**Oakland Tribune**

Wed., Dec. 8, 1965 15

### DECORATED HERO

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Speaking at the ceremonies were Oakland Mayor John Hulihan, Rep. George Miller of Alameda, Rear Adm. Cecil D. Riggs of the Navy Medical Corps and Capt. John D. Burky, commanding officer of the hospital.

### 650 BEDS

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tain outpatient clinics and those diagnostic and treatment facilities which serve both outpatients and ambulatory inpatients—such as laboratory, X-ray, super-voltage cobalt therapy, physical therapy, occupational therapy, amputee rehabilitation and prosthetic laboratory, and a new aural speech and rehabilitation center.

### UPPER FLOORS

The five upper floors or "tower" will contain inpatient nursing units. The tentative allocation of beds is: medical service, 123; surgical, 243; orthopedic service, 100; obstetrics, 24; gynecology, 20; pediatrics, 20; neuropsychiatric, 120.

Patient care will not be interrupted during the building period.


### OLD BUILDINGS

Several buildings now in use will continue to serve, including the chapel, the officers' club, chief petty officers' and enlisted men's clubs, Hospital Corps quarters, the bowling center, the swimming pool and the firehouse.

Plans for the new building include parking areas with about 700 spaces for patient, staff, and visitors' cars, and concrete walks connecting the new hos-



FIRST DIRT TURNED FOR NEW NAVAL HOSPITAL  
S/ Sgt. Raymond Thibodeaux a vet of Viet Nam, Korea



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FRONT COVER: U.S. NAVAL HOSPITAL, OAKLAND, CAL. The construction contract for the 650-bed hospital replacement project for the Naval Hospital at Oakland, California was awarded in the early part of December 1965. Construction should start during the month of December 1965 or the first part of January 1966.

The new hospital facility will be located at the site of the present hospital complex. The site conditions of hills and valleys presented a design challenge to place the hospital within the steep, hilly terrain and orient it for accessibility and functional efficiency.

As a result of the hilly site the hospital has a basement area. The two floors above the basement have access from ground level. The basic concept of design consists of four floors comprising a base unit and a high-rise nursing unit tower. The building is nine stories high. Penthouse and roof areas are above these nine floors.

The cross-type plan for the nursing units starts at the fifth floor level. The nursing units on the fifth floor contain the neuropsychiatric bedrooms. A neuropsychiatric exercise area is provided on the roof surface at this level. Neuropsychiatric facilities consist of separate units for convalescent patients, medium-disturbed patients, and maximum-disturbed patients. These categories are divided to provide facilities for men and women.

The sixth, seventh, eighth, and ninth floor nursing units contain basically typical facilities for surgical patients, orthopedic patients, medical patients, and OB. The OB facilities are located on the eighth floor. There are two delivery rooms, labor rooms, a recovery room, a preparation room, and nursery facilities. The OB facilities are contained in one wing of the four-wing cross-type nursing unit tower.

The ninth floor contains metabolic research and clinical investigation facilities in addition to nursing units. Included with the nursing units are surgical intensive therapy on the sixth floor and medical intensive therapy on the ninth floor.



## Groundbreaking for a New Naval Hospital



Disabled veteran Charles S. Gardner of San Lorenzo was present in a wheelchair.

A Marine who twice was decorated with the Purple Heart for battle wounds, in Korea and Vietnam, this week turned the symbolic first spadeful of earth for the new Oakland Naval Hospital. Staff Sergeant Raymond L. Thibodeaux, a patient at the present hospital at Oakland's Oak Knoll, was wounded in the head by a sniper's bullet at Da Nang, Vietnam, earlier this year.

Yesterday, appearing fit but somewhat nervous—surrounded by so many admirals and other brass—he led ceremonies marking the beginning of construction of the \$14.5 million hospital.

### BARRACKS

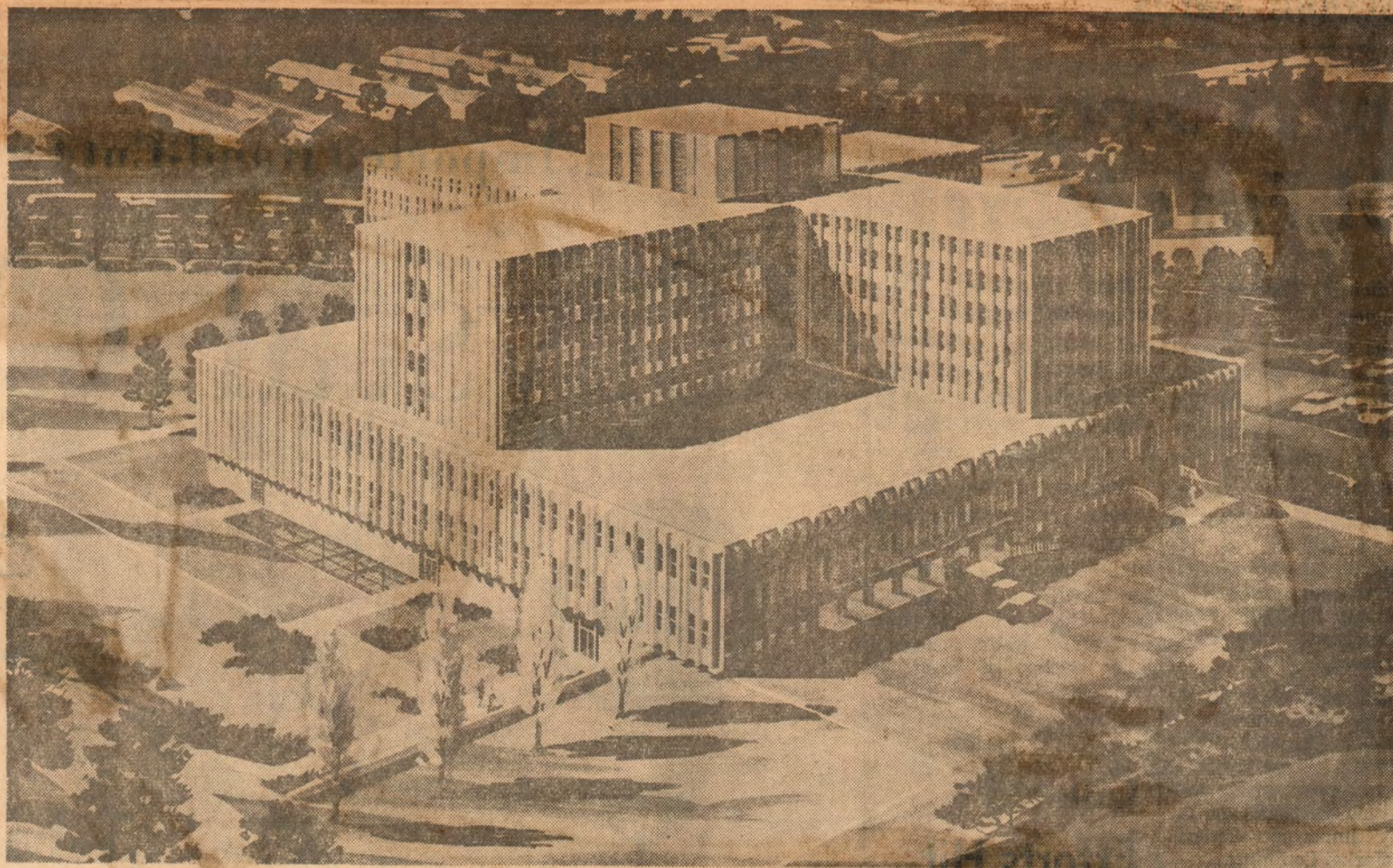
The nine-story, 650-bed structure will rise from the midst of several barracks used for the present hospital, built as a temporary facility shortly after the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor exactly 24 years ago last Tuesday.

One of the speakers at the groundbreaking was Congressman George P. Miller (Dem-Alameda), who said the new hospital is "part of the reorganized defense establishment."

### LOCATION

"It is essential that a hospital of this capacity be located here," he told some 300 chilly persons gathered on the construction site.

Also taking part in the ceremonies were Rear Admiral Harold J. Cokeley, commanding officer of the hospital; Rear Admiral Cecil D. Riggs, of the Navy Bureau of Medicine; and Mayor John P. Houghan of Oakland.



An architect's drawing of the proposed 650-bed facility at Oakland's Oak Knoll



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650-Beds, \$13.5 Million

## NEW NAVY HOSPITAL



Construction bids opened last month on the new 650 bed, \$13.5 million Navy Hospital at Oakland, California. The architectural design provides for 453,800 square feet in a nine floor, irregularly shaped structure involving a four story base supporting a five floor, cross-shaped tower.

Foundations will be drilled, poured-in-place concrete piers and the hospi-

tal itself will be of reinforced concrete frame with pre-cast reinforced concrete exterior bearing wall panels.

### WARMTH IN DESIGN

The design objective was to provide Navy Hospital patients at Oakland with the greatest possible degree of safety, and efficiency, combined with beauty and attractiveness, that would avoid the cold and sterile atmosphere often found in institutions.



(Photo taken when contract was awarded for new hospital).

From left — J. D. Winfrey, William Hoffman (Vice Pres. of the contracting firm of Huber, Hunt & Nichols), Capt. J. D. Burky, and CDR. E. A. McManus.

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The hospital is to be built at a cost of approximately \$14,500,000.

Architects for the new building are Stone, Maraccini, and Patterson and Associates and

Milton T. Pflueger of San Francisco.

Contract for construction of the new building has been awarded to Huber, Hunt, and Nichols of Santa Clara.

LCDR J. A. Wright, CEC, USN, is Resident Officer in charge of construction.

DECEMBER, 1965





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Two Sections —



Future 650 bed Naval Hospital in Oakland as shown in architect's rendering. Architects are Stone, Maraccini and Patterson and Associates and Milton T. Pflueger of San Francisco. Contract for

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The estimated cost — approximately \$14,500,000 — will cover planning, construction, contractor-installed equipment, access roads, sidewalks, and landscaping. Existing trees will be retained wherever possible. Additional trees will be planted, lawn areas seeded, and slopes planted with ground cover. Utilities, including central plant steam, will be from existing sources. An alternate source of electricity will be provided for use in times of emergency.

The construction will be fire-resistant, with a frame of reinforced concrete and walls

of precast concrete panels.

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On these floors will be the emergency room, surgeries, pharmacy, and central supply.

The first four floors will also contain the main lobby, administrative offices, admitting rooms, food preparation areas, cafeterias, medical records, data processing equipment, conference room,

classrooms, medical and patients' libraries, welfare and recreation facilities, chaplains' service, and Red Cross.



Staff Sergeant Raymond I. Thibodeaux of New Orleans, La., who has twice earned the Purple Heart for war wounds, breaks ground for the new U. S. Naval Hospital. Looking on, from left, Rear Admiral Cecil D. Riggs from the Navy Department's Bureau of Medicine and Surgery in Washington, D. C., Congressman George P. Miller, and Rear Admiral Harold J. Cokely, Commanding Officer of the hospital.

December 29, 1965

NAVY TIMES

## Ground Broken at Oakland For New Naval Hospital



ARCHITECT'S SKETCH OF FUTURE OAKLAND HOSPITAL

OAKLAND, Calif. — Ground was broken here December 7 for a new \$14.5-million Navy hospital to replace the World War II "temporary" hospital which will close when the new one is completed in early 1968.

No beds for retirees and their dependents are programmed for the new nine-story, 650-bed structure. A provision calling for retiree beds was attached to the House version of the appropriations bill. A Senate-House conference later knocked out this rider after the Defense Department agreed to introduce a medical plan for retirees at the next session of the 89th Congress.

The December 7 date for ground breaking ceremonies was picked to

commemorate the attack on Pearl Harbor which dictated the need for a fleet hospital in the San Francisco Bay area.

A Marine patient, SSgt. Raymond I. Thibodeaux, turned the first spadeful of earth on the 200-acre Oak Knoll compound. A two-time winner of the Purple Heart, he was wounded first in Korea and again in Vietnam.

More than 400 national, state, county and civic dignitaries were welcomed to the ceremony by Rear Adm. Harold J. Cokely (MC), commanding officer of the hospital.

Speakers included Rep. George P. Miller (D-Calif.); Rear Adm. Cecil D. Riggs (MC), Inspector General of the Navy Medical Department; and Mayor John P. Houlihan of Oakland.



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San Francisco, California

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FUTURE 650 BED NAVAL HOSPITAL OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

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The first four floors will also contain the main lobby, administrative offices, admitting rooms, food preparation areas, cafeterias, medical records, data processing equipment, conference room, classrooms, medical and patients' libraries, welfare and recreation facilities, chaplains' service, and Red Cross.

The five upper floors or "tower" will contain all inpatient nursing units. The layout for each of these floors will be similar. A service core rising through the center of the building will contain elevators for carrying personnel, bulk supplies, and linen; dumb waiters for carrying supplies and equipment, and pneumatic tubes for transmitting information to and from the nursing units.

Reaching out like the arms of a cross are nursing wings, a typical one containing 38 beds. The maternity wing will include delivery suites and nurseries. On the top floor the clinical investigation center will adjoin the medical service, with which its research is closely associated. Except in the neuropsychiatric service, where group activities require more space, all accommodations will be bedroom type, with 1, 2, and 4 beds. Psychiatric wards will open to walled recreation areas on the roof.

Patients' rooms will be arranged around the perimeter of each wing so that all will have view windows looking out to the surrounding hills. Rooms for officer and enlisted patients will be identical.

In the center of each wing all necessary facilities for the patients' wellbeing will be located

--the doctor's office and examining room, nurse's station, diet pantry, linen room, patients' toilets and baths, storage rooms for patients' personal effects, cleaning gear, nursing supplies, and a solarium for visitors.

Air conditioning will be installed in the emergency room, clinical investigation center, clinics, nursery, X-ray, laboratory, and conference room. Oxygen and suction apparatus will be built into surgical suites, recovery room, delivery rooms, intensive therapy unit, and certain wards.

A built-in central dictating system, nurses' audio-visual call system for communication between patient and nurse, and a doctor's paging system will be included.

Conduits will be provided for closed circuit television from operating rooms to clinical assembly for teaching purposes. AM and FM radio system outlets and speakers will be installed in each bedroom and TV antennae provided in wards, solarium, and recreation areas.

Patient care will not be interrupted during the building period.

A number of buildings now in use will continue to serve. These are the chapel, officers' club (the original Oak Knoll Golf and Country Club), chief petty officers' and enlisted men's clubs, Hospital Corps quarters, bachelor officers' quarters, community service building with its recently remodeled navy exchange store, the bowling center, swimming pool, power house, laundry fire house, maintenance shops, and storage buildings.

Plans for the new building include parking areas with about 700 spaces for patient, staff, and visitors' cars and concrete walks connecting the new hospital with buildings to be retained.

The present main entrance on Mountain Boulevard will be retained and will be reached by a frontage road off the new MacArthur Freeway. The hospital may be reached from all directions via MacArthur, Nimitz, or Warren Freeways. The estimated driving time from San Francisco will be 25 minutes, from downtown Oakland, Berkeley, or Hayward about 15 minutes.

Time of completion: Approximately two years from ground breaking.





**EDGAR BERGEN AND HIS WOODEN FRIEND ENTERTAIN PATIENTS**  
The star-studded troupe spent the day visiting wards and performing



**ACTOR WILLIAM LUNDIGAN SWAPS STORIES WITH TWO MARINES**  
An ex-Marine, he visits with (left) Cpl. John Scafiro, and Cpl. Joe Machado



**PVT. GOMER PYLE AND A SAILOR FRIEND**  
Jim Nabors chats with Sam Aken at Navy hospital

## Entertainers Add Some Joy To Oakland Naval Hospital

They grinned from ear to ear and up until that moment they had little reason to be happy. Marines and sailors, they were confined to Oakland Naval Hospital for the holiday season. Some were hospitalized for injuries suffered at stateside duty stations. Others had lost legs and arms in the fury of combat in Viet Nam.

There was little happiness to be found in the prospect of spending Christmas in the hospital wards.

### THE STAR

But all that disappeared with one word from the man who stood among them Saturday.

"Howdy!"

Pvt. Gomer Pyle, television's folksy, bumbling Marine, rambled into the ward and looked around at the men who stared back for a moment and then broke into big grins.

Pyle, or rather Jim Nabors, came to the hospital with a troupe of Hollywood entertainers to help boost the morale of the patients.

Edgar Bergen brought Charlie McCarthy and actress Yvette Mimieux brought a stack of pictures to autograph. There was actor William Lundigan and several well-endowed young ladies.

### 'GETS BETTER'

They sang, told jokes and moved among the patients trying to brighten an otherwise dreary Christmas season.

A Marine on a gurney was wheeled past Bergen as he performed with his wooden-headed friend, who quipped:

"It gets better, Jack. After all, I'm handicapped. I've got Bergen."

But it was Gomer Pyle who stole the show.

He sang hillbilly songs and told hillbilly jokes in his genuine hillbilly Alabama "y'all" accent.

He went to as many beds in each ward as time permitted and was always the last to move on to the next ward.

### 'FANTASTIC'

In a hall between wards, he was a little more serious.

"They're a fantastic bunch of guys. Considering everything, they got a lot of spirit. They're doing a lot better job than I could."

Nabors moved on to the next ward.

"Howdy, guys!"



**A NEW NURSE FOR MARINE CPL., LYGE TROTTER**  
Joy Wilkerson was with the Hollywood troupe.

S. F. Sunday Examiner & Chronicle, December 12, 1965



**ADMIRAL NIMITZ**  
Home After Surgery

## Nimitz Ends Month Stay In Hospital

Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz returned to his quarters on Yerba Buena Island yesterday after a month-long stay in Oakland Naval Hospital where he underwent back surgery.

The Pacific war hero, now 80, entered the hospital Nov. 9 and was operated on the next day. The exact type of operation was not disclosed nor was the nature of his illness.

42 CCC Oakland Tribune Sun., Dec. 12, 1965

## Nimitz Goes Home After Operation

Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, 80, who underwent surgery on his back Nov. 10, has recovered sufficiently to return to his home on Yerba Buena Island.

The five-star admiral entered Oakland Naval Hospital on Nov. 9 and was operated on Nov. 10. The operation was successful.



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### NAVY MERITORIOUS CIVILIAN SERVICE AWARD

Mrs. Mullie F. Jack, technical publications editor in the clinical research facility at Oakland Naval

Hospital for the past 18 years, has received the Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Award "in recognition of her many noteworthy contributions, which have been of high value and benefit to the Navy." It is the first time an employee at the hospital has received the award—a gold pin and a handsome certificate, with a letter from the Navy Surgeon General.

The award was presented to Mrs. Jack by RADM Harold J. Cokely, hospital commanding officer, before a large group of fellow-workers and friends. It came simultaneously with her retirement September 30 at the age of 70.

In presenting the award RADM Cokely noted that Mrs. Jack has prepared papers for submission to 96 different scientific journals and distributed 6,000 reprints requested by doctors in all parts of the United States and 59 foreign countries, thus greatly enhancing the hospital's professional reputation.

Prior to her employment at Oak Knoll Mrs. Jack held government jobs with the War Industries Board in Washington, D.C., and with the Army and Marine Corps in San Diego. For six years she was stenographer and interpreter for the Division of Fruitfly investigation in Mexico City, Mexico. She also did volunteer work for the British Office of Information, Mexico City.—Public Information Office, U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California 94627.



# A Unique Pheasant Hunt



Three members of hunt display their bag of pheasants. They are (l. to r.) Danny Duello of Iowa, Gunars Rieksts, Washington State and Robert Smith, Calif.



One of the hunters drops a pheasant. Notice ejected shell, center. This was 11th annual outing for amputee patients from Navy's Oak Knoll hospital in East Bay. Thirteen Marines and six sailors took part in the hunt.

BY ED NEAL

The legless marine, strapped into the jeep, proudly held up a pair of roosters.

"Did you shoot 'em?" asked another amputee. "You didn't think I ran 'em down," came back the fast reply.

They were participants in the state's most unique pheasant hunt—the 11th annual outing staged for amputee patients of the Navy's Oak Knoll Hospital in the Eastbay.

BUT THEIR hunt was different. W. B. (Bert) Harris, chairman of the sponsoring Knights Landing Sportsmen's Club, told the story.

"In the past, the huntsmen were older servicemen, mostly from the Korean conflict or injured in training accidents.

"These are the first from Vietnam—13 marines and six sailors. Just kids. Not old veterans.

For editorial see Page 2, Section II.

"If only more sportsmen's groups and service clubs (the Robbins Lions Club has co-sponsored the two-day outing for the past three years) would do something like this."

Then Navy orthopedic surgeon Lt. Robert Salisbury broke in.

"If I had a barrelful of this medicine, I could cure anything."

IN COMPLETE agreement was Dr. Roy Tandy, retired Naval surgeon who squired the amputees on their first six hunts. Now with Napa State Hospital, Dr. Tandy came along as an observer on the latest hunt.

"Twenty-four hours with the Knight Landing Sportsmen is equal to 30 days' therapy," he explained. "Hunting makes the boys realize they still can do some-

thing they never thought possible again."

How did the hunt start? Let Harris, the town barber, take over:

"AS YOU know, we're not a big town (Knights Landing, population 450, is 20 miles northeast of Sacramento), but right after the Korean trouble I read where Tulelake staged a pheasant hunt for wounded veterans.

"That started us. Tulelake dropped the ball after a few years. We didn't. The whole town's behind us. The Woodland 20-30 Club worked with us the first eight years, then the Robbins Lions pitched in.

"We don't have any exclusive on this. We'd like to see other organizations do the same thing with hunting or fishing trips. Trainer Jim McGrath—he owns the Olive Hills Kennels—has been my righthand man. We'll help any group set up a similar hunt.

"THAT SHOULDN'T be difficult. While we always plan our hunt during the regular pheasant season, private game bird clubs have a much longer season. Certainly some should be available."

This year the Navy transported the 19 ampu-

tees, two doctors and corpsmen by bus to Knights Landing. Then the locals took over—first with a massive banquet with all the trimmings.

The patients were housed overnight in the Knights Landing Boy Scout Cabin. Then it was a big breakfast

hosted by the Lions and out to the rice fields, first for a familiarization course with shotguns.

THE MARINES know their rifles and automatic rifles but to some scatterguns were new. They fired a few rounds of traps, then took to the field in jeeps. While it's

illegal to hunt from vehicles, state wardens conveniently look the other way. How else could a legless hunter get around?

More than a hundred pheasants—purchased by the sportsmen and the Lions—had been planted shortly before. McGrath and his han-

dlers worked their dogs slightly ahead. When a rooster was pointed, a sportsman flushed it, and the amputees' guns roared.

They fired amazingly well, downing 84 birds.

DOWN FROM Redding as a first time visitor was Johnny Reginato, manager of the Shasta Cascade Wonderland Association.

"An amazing but sobering experience," he said. "I was driving one jeep with a youngster who had stepped on a land mine, lost both legs. The explosion flipped him over on another mine. That cost him an arm.

"When a rooster flushed in front of us, the Marine couldn't pull the trigger with his artificial hand. Quick as a flash, he shifted over to his good arm and dropped the bird with one shot. How can you beat spirit like that?"



Legless, armless and crippled veterans from Vietnam war check their shotguns before starting out on pheasant hunt arranged and sponsored by Sportsmen's Club at Knights Landing.

San Francisco Examiner

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Truth, Justice • Public Service

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## Heart-Warming

KNIGHTS LANDING is just a dot on the map of California.

It is 96 miles northeast of San Francisco, with a population of less than 500.

Small in size, it has a heart as big as all outdoors.

The town's barber, Bert Harris, is secretary of the Knights Landing Sportsmen's Club.

Each year of the last 11, Harris and the club members have played host to wounded veterans from the Navy's Oak Knoll Hospital at an annual pheasant hunt.

At first, the guests were largely casualties of World War II and the Korean conflict.

Year by year the guests grew older. Until this year.

This year the veterans were young again, fresh-faced lads. There were 19 of them. All were amputees, casualties of the war in Vietnam.

The boys had a ball at the hunt. They bagged 84 fine birds. For the first time since tragedy struck they were able to prove to themselves that life still had promise.

Navy Orthopedic Surgeon Robert Salisbury said, "If I had a barrelful of this medicine, I could cure anything."

That kind of medicine does not come in barrels. It comes from the heart.

We have a hunch a lot of people and organizations would like to get in the act. We think newspapers everywhere and sportsmen's groups in many areas will want to set the wheels in motion for pheasant shoots, fishing trips and excursions of all kinds in which hospitalized veterans from the Vietnam front may be delighted participants.

In The Examiner's news pages today, there is a heart-warming story about the fine job being done by Knights Landing. Other communities, organizations and citizens interested in doing something similar should contact Dr. Salisbury at Oak Knoll or the Special Services Office at Letterman General Hospital. We know that doctors and officials will welcome this kind of spiritual medicine.

## Amputees Enjoy Pheasant Hunt

KNIGHTS LANDING (UPI)—The Marine, strapped into the back seat of the jeep was a triple amputee. Both legs were blown off in Viet Nam when the youngster stepped on a land mine. The explosion flipped him over on another mine. That cost him an arm.

Now, several months later, he was bouncing through a California rice field. Suddenly a pheasant rooster flushed in front of the jeep. The Marine grabbed a scattergun with his artificial hand, shifted over to the good arm and dropped the bird with one shot.

He had bagged the first bird in the nation's most unique pheasant hunt—an outing staged recently for amputee veterans of the Viet Nam war.

The Marine and his amputee buddies—13 Marines and six sailors—were the first Viet Nam casualties from the Navy's Oak Knoll Hospital in Oakland, Calif., to participate in such a hunt. But there'll be many more if the sponsoring Knights Landing Sportsmen's Club and enthusiastic Navy medical authorities have their way.

Nearby, another legless Marine showed off a pair of roosters. Pride was written all over his face.

"Did you shoot 'em?" he was asked.

"You didn't think I ran 'em down," flashed the GI with a grin.

Navy orthopedic surgeon Lt. Robert Salisbury was practically beside himself with the success of the experiment.

"If I had a barrelful of this medicine, I could cure anything," he said.

"Twenty-four hours with the Knights Landing Sportsmen is equal to 30 days' therapy," agreed Dr. Roy Tandy, retired Naval surgeon. "Hunting makes the boys realize they still can do something they never thought possible again."

Shortly before going into the fields, the Marines, all too familiar with the feel of an automatic rifle, fired a few rounds from the scatterguns at clay traps. Then they took to the jeeps.

It is illegal in California to hunt from vehicles, but in the case of these 19 legless hunters, game wardens conveniently looked the other way.

The pheasants never had a chance. More than a hundred birds had been planted in the field by the sportsmen before the shoot, but by day's end 84 of them were ready to be cooked in the hospital kitchen.

## PACIFIC STARS AND STRIPES

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## Hunters Bag New Outlook on Life

By DEL LANE

Special Correspondent

KNIGHTS LANDING, Cal. — The marine had lost both legs in Vietnam, and he had to be strapped into the Jeep as it came bouncing back through the field. But he couldn't have looked prouder as he held up the two pheasants.

"Did you shoot 'em?" another amputee asked.

"You didn't think I ran 'em down, did you?" the hunter replied.

It was the end of a unique hunt, staged for amputee patients at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, Oakland, Cal. The hunt has been held for 11 years, but this time it was different.

"In the past, the huntsmen were older servicemen, mostly from the Korean conflict or injured in training accidents," said W.B. Harris, chairman of the sponsoring Sportsmen's Club of Knights Landing (pop. 450), 20 miles northeast of Sacramento.

"But these are the first from Vietnam—13 marines and six sailors," he said. "Just kids, not veterans."

E. Roy Tandy, a retired Navy surgeon who arranged the first of the amputees' hunts, went along on this one as an observer.

NAVY TIMES  
Twenty-four hours with the Knights Landing Sportsmen is equal to 30 days' therapy," he said. "Hunting makes the boys realize they still can do some-

thing they never thought possible again."

Navy Lt. Robert Salisbury, an Oak Knoll orthopedic surgeon, agreed.

"If I had a barrelful of this medicine," he said, "I could cure anything."

The Knights Landing hunt started with a Navy bus trip for the 19 patients, two doctors and corpsmen to the little town. Then there was a massive banquet with all the trimmings, given by the town, and the amputees were housed overnight in the Knights Landing Boy Scout cabin.

Next morning there was a big breakfast by the Lions Club, then out to the ricefields for shotgun familiarization—the hunting men know their rifles and automatic weapons, but some hadn't handled scatterguns.

The hunters then took to the fields in Jeeps. More than 100 pheasants, purchased by the Sportsmen's and Lions clubs, had been released earlier. More than 84 birds were bagged.

December 22, 1965

## Nimitz Home After Operation

SAN FRANCISCO—Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, 80, has returned to his quarters on Yerba Buena Island from Oakland Naval Hospital, where he had undergone an operation on his back.

A brief Navy announcement said simply the World War II Pacific Fleet commander entered the hospital November 9 "for studies which led to a successful operation on November 10."

In retirement, Adm. and Mrs. Nimitz have been living in Navy quarters on the island in San Francisco Bay.



## VETERAN'S CHRISTMAS FUND

## These Wounded Veterans Remember Pearl Harbor

Twenty-four years ago today the Japanese dealt a severe blow at Pearl Harbor, bringing the United States into World War II. But it was a setback from which this country would recover.

Some of the veterans in that war will never be the same again, though.

They still are bedridden or under treatment at veterans hospitals throughout the U.S.

On Dec. 7, 1941, the Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee was in the midst of a drive to raise money for Christmas gifts to veterans of World War I. It was the group's 18th campaign.

Today, it is in a similar campaign — this time with veterans of World War I, World War II, Korea, and Viet Nam as recipients of the gifts, entertainment programs, and decorations at Oakland Naval and Livermore Veterans Hospitals.

The committee needs \$17,750, and your help.

Theme for the drive is, "Give to Those Who Gave."

Here are the latest who have:

Mrs. B. J. Funk	\$10.00
Elof K. and Jenny L. Falk	5.00
C. Williams	1.00
The Sertoma Club	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. L. Neilson	5.00
In loving and grateful memory of Cousin Fred	3.00
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Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Johnson	4.00
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In memory of my mother from Lillian Wollitz	10.00
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Montclair Junior Women's Club	5.00
Fay and Willard King	2.00
A. L. Garland	5.00
Bakery and Confectionery Workers Union, Local No. 119	25.00
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A. R. Whitlow	5.00
L. A. Vieira	2.00
Adeline H. Jacobsen	3.00
1920 Martha Club, O.E.S.	10.00
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United Daughters of the Confederacy Grandmothers Sewing Club	5.00
Robert W. Young	15.00
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Anon.	3.00
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Mr. and Mrs. John MacDonald	10.00
Golden Gate Fields Foundation	500.00
Col. Chas. Young Post No. 267	2.00
American Legion	2.00
E. S. Latham	2.00
Arthur G. Schaefer	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Kaiser	5.00
Old Veteran	1.00

## Give--For Those Who Gave

Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee,  
4444 East 14th St.,  
Oakland 1, California, 94601

This is my way of saying "Merry Christmas" to the wounded and ill men and women in Alameda County's two military and veterans hospitals.

Here is my gift of \$..... to help you reach your goal of \$17,000 for gifts, entertainment and Christmas decorations for these men and women.

NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

This coupon may be mailed or presented in person with contributions to the committee office.



**HOSPITAL SHOW**—Mary Valle, secretary-treasurer of the Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee, shows slides of last year's Christmas program to Bryan King, committee chairman (left, standing), James Hickey, assistant director of Livermore Veterans Hospital, and Rear Adm. Harold Cokely (right), officer-in-charge of Oakland Naval Hospital.



U.S. Marines raided the village of Tam Ky, South Viet Nam, to flush out suspected Viet Cong, but turned up mostly innocents—like this family of a mother and six children, the youngest of whom is not old enough to be afraid.

—UPI Telephoto by Nguyen Thai Tai

## Wounded Veteran Says Viet War Most Brutal of 3 in Which He Has Engaged

A rugged Marine officer, who sacrificed his left leg for the lives of women and children in the rice paddies of a "peaceful little village" in Viet Nam, described the action there Tuesday

as the "most brutal" of the three wars he has fought.

Col. Michael R. Yunch, 47, a veteran of 24 years in the Corps, spoke to newsmen from his bed at Oakland Naval Hospital, as his wife Esther sat nearby.

She hopes to have him in their Santa Ana, Calif., home for Christmas with their two adopted children, Elizabeth, 5, and Kirby, 4.

Yunch, who has a chest full of ribbons, said he earned his first Purple Heart last Friday as two Marine battalions and

an Army unit moved into a valley about 25 miles south of Da Nang that has been a Viet Cong stronghold for years.

"It is a beautiful little valley — so peaceful," he added, thoughtfully.

Yunch said the village his troops were to take was Hoi An, but the colonel said that as his command helicopter hovered over it, he saw women, children and old people working in the rice paddies.

"We had seven planes ready to move in with napalm, but I wrestled with my conscience over whether we should order the drop," he said. "I didn't want to have them burned ... we were fighting for the people, not the ground."

Yunch decided to spare the village from a fiery attack, but Viet Cong firing broke out shortly after the Marines landed by helicopter. As the colonel ordered his command copter back over the scene, a .50 caliber machinegun bullet ripped into his leg.

The pilot flew him directly to a combat hospital, where the leg was amputated with only a spinal anesthetic.

"There's a burden on our con-

science that makes it a rotten war," said Yunch, looking down at the flat blanket where his leg would have been. "I made a decision—and I'm stuck with it."

When Yunch's leg was removed, the operation was filmed by a television cameraman and the colonel was quoted as saying he wanted the anti-war demonstrators in the U.S. to see it.

But he said Tuesday that he "never gave a thought to the demonstrators."

"They are peanuts anyway," he added.

However, the war in Viet Nam is not peanuts to Col. Yunch, who said he planned to remain in the Marine Corps and would be willing to return to Viet Nam.

But he described it as the "most brutal" of the three wars in which he has seen action.

"You know, during World War II and Korea, we had some pretty good times. There was a lot of carousing and drinking. In some ways it was fun," he said.

"Not in Viet Nam," Yunch added. "Everybody is subdued. It is a rotten war."

## 2 Male Nurses Get Orientation

OAKLAND, Calif.—The first two male members of the 200-woman Navy Nurse Corps have reported to the Naval Hospital here.

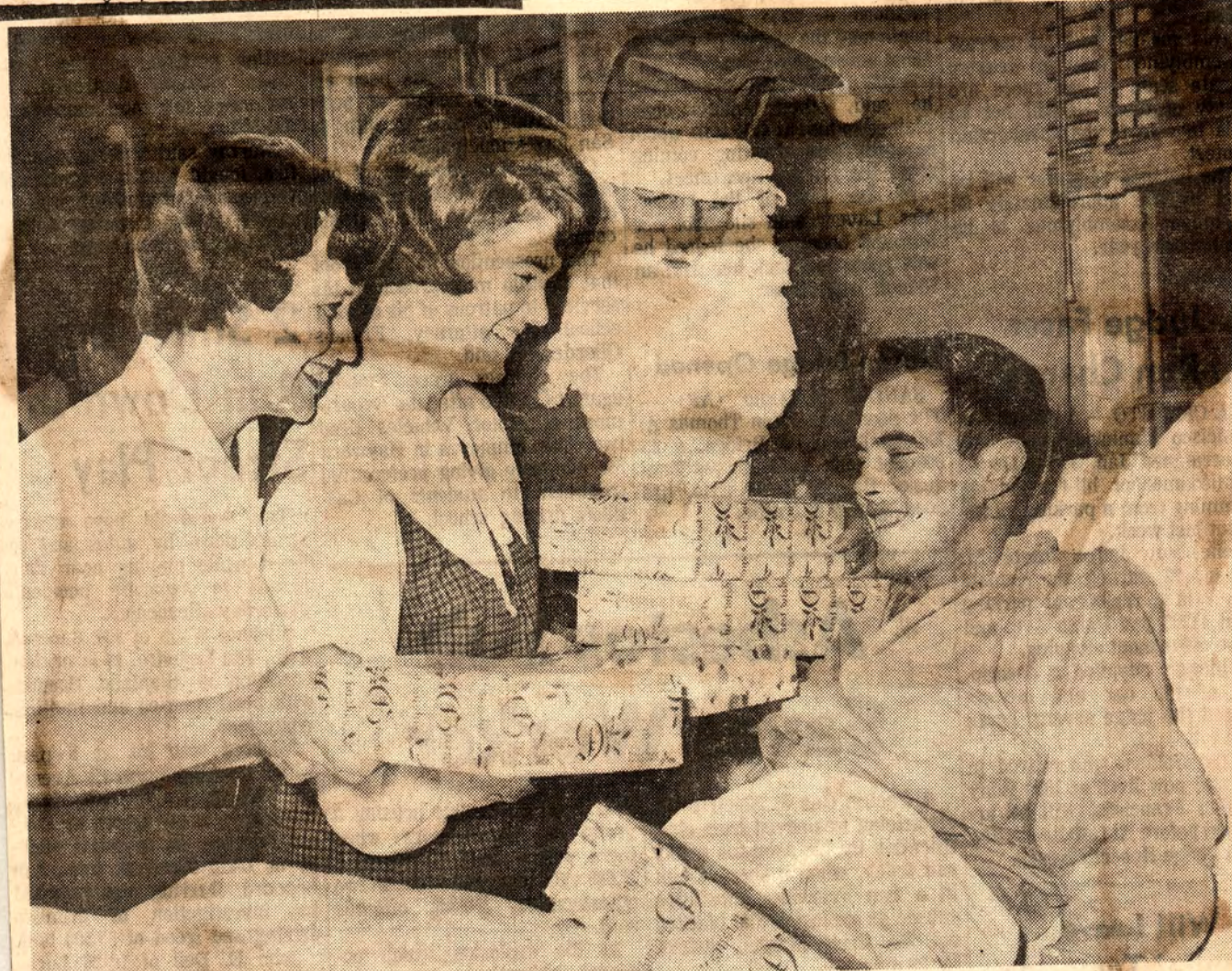
They are Ensigns George M. Silver, 25, and Israel S. Miller, 22.

Although Silver received his commission in July—three months before Miller, the two were classmates at the Navy School of Indocination, Newport, R.I.

Silver, whose interest in a nursing career developed during two years' service as a hospital corpsman in the Naval Hospital at Memphis, Tenn., trained at McLean Hospital, Belmont, Mass.

Miller earned his RN at New York City's Bellevue Hospital.

The two young men will undergo the regulation six-week orientation period before receiving assignments.



**GIFTS GALORE**—Marine Corporal Frank Lee of Longmont, Colo., a Viet Nam casualty at the Oakland Naval Hospital, is showered with gifts by members of Unit 365, United Republicans of California. He was one of 80 men in four wards who celebrated an early Christmas. Obviously enjoy-

ing their gift-bearing assignment are (from left) Mrs. Philip Hart, Clare Schenk and Philip Hart (the happy smile behind the beard). UROC also distributed party foods and soft drinks to the Naval hospital's 640 patients.



# Vet Hospitals Get Yule Look

It looks like Christmas at Oakland Naval Hospital.

More than 150 volunteers worked yesterday to decorate the hundreds of wards, hallways, and rooms of the hospital for the Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committees.

About 200 are expected at Livermore Veterans Hospital today to put the holiday look up at that facility.

Money continued to soar past the committee's goal, and is now nearing the \$20,000 mark.

The committee this week will sponsor entertainment shows at the two hospitals and present gifts to each veteran.

Latest donors are:

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**HOLIDAY LOOK** — Members of the Mt. Eden High School Spanish Club in Hayward decorate a ward of Oakland Naval Hospital as part of the Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee program. Navy patient Albert W. Carter watches as Ken Wheeler gets decorations from Phyllis Thomas, Patricia Kain and Stephen Kinsey (from left).

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Alta Mira Club of San Leandro 10.00  
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Lester and Gladys Revere 5.00  
Hill 5.00  
Marlen Souza, Richmond 5.00  
J. Anita Tivadar, San Francisco 5.00  
Mr. and Mrs. Rick Schultze, San Pablo 5.00  
Mr. Dick H.A.F.B., San Rafael 10.00  
In memory of Harold W. Baca, World War II, Tulare 5.00  
Total 19,014.61  
Previously acknowledged 5,875.00  
Total to date \$19,889.61

## VETS CHRISTMAS FUND



**THESE VIET NAM VETERANS WERE ABLE TO FORGET—FOR A WHILE**  
Marine Cpl. Joseph Machado (left), Navy Hospitalman John Gobert applaud show

## Show Helps Veterans Forget About War for Little While

For a few moments last night Marine Cpl. Joseph Machado, 21, and Navy hospital corpsman John Gobert, 23, forgot about the war in Viet Nam.

Machado, whose parents live in Bakersfield, and Gobert, who comes from Montana, appeared to be able to forget that each had lost a leg in separate battles in Viet Nam.

The reason for their temporary escape from scars that each will bear forever was the annual Christmas entertainment show at the Oakland Naval Hospital.

The show, sponsored by the Veterans' Hospitals Christmas Committee, will be held again tonight at Livermore Veterans Hospital.

The goal of \$17,750 has been surpassed by nearly \$3,000 and donations are still arriving at the committee's headquarters, 4444 E. 14th St. Money not needed this year will be added to next year's collection.



## 'Hot War' on the Helicopters

By TOM FLYNN  
Tribune Military Writer

A tough Marine Corps pilot who discovered the hard way just how vulnerable a helicopter can be thinks that the life of a chopper pilot in Viet Nam may become even more dangerous in the months ahead.

Col. Michael R. Yunc, 47, who lost his left leg 10 days ago after his helicopter caught a burst of .50-caliber gunfire, spoke at Oakland Naval Hospital where he is recuperating.

"Our experience indicates that, particularly if the North Vietnamese bring in more units, we'll be facing better and more intense anti-aircraft fire."

The helicopter, he said, "is a great machine for armed reconnaissance as long as it can live in the environment."

And the "environment," the pleasant, balding colonel admitted, seems to be getting hotter.

Pilots returning from Viet Nam in recent months have reported encountering anti aircraft fire of heavier caliber, greater intensity and sometimes radar-directed.

The use of helicopters in Viet Nam has been the subject of debate for some time.

They were designed primarily for a troop-carrying role, a mission for which the Marine Corps pioneered tactics.

The choppers were to carry troops to the vicinity of the battle and not go into the thick of it except for medical evacuation and rescue assignments.

But with the necessity in Viet Nam for an aircraft that can literally hug the ground and seek out the enemy in dense jungle areas, the military turned to the helicopter and armed it for such a role. Low and slow, by comparison to other aircraft, the chopper becomes an excellent target.

Colonel Yunc, who was hit while directing a Marine air strike from a low-flying UH-1B "Huey," said the helicopters are "making out OK, but in a more sophisticated environment they couldn't do it."

"There's more and more .50-



COL. MICHAEL R. YUNC

caliber fire and that's not healthy for helicopters."

Yunc, a World War II ace who gave permission to a national television network camera crew to film the amputation of his leg, was directing the air support for a landing when gunfire from a nearby village ripped through the helicopter.

"I was more scared that I was going to bleed to death but the crew chief got a tourniquet on my leg."

Yunc had just flown over the village "low enough to scatter the chickens and see the people" but could not detect any enemy movement.

"If I had seen a gun position or indication that the Viet Cong were in the hamlet, I probably would have had no choice but to let the village have it."

Marine jets loaded with napalm and bombs hovered in the area waiting for Yunc to pick out the enemy positions that had to be cleared before the troop-carrying helicopters could land.

"This is part and parcel of the VC (Viet Cong) technique to use any cover they can and this (the village) is good cover," Yunc's big concern now is to keep flying.

"This is an issue I'll have to face. But if I demonstrate the proper mobility I'm sure I'll keep flying."

## Amputee Colonel Won't Quit Flying

The military career of Colonel Michael R. Yunc is far from being finished, the Marine Corps veteran of three wars said last week.

"This isn't going to stop me," he said, glancing down at where his left leg had once been. "I'll be flying again as soon as they fix me up with a substitute."

The soft-spoken 47-year-old Marine aviator has just about convinced everyone at Oakland Naval Hospital that he'll accomplish this goal.

He arrived there last week, another amputee victim of the Vietnam war.

Colonel Yunc was co-piloting a reconnaissance helicopter directing troop landings and aerial support fire two weeks ago near a Vietnamese hamlet in the Da Nang area north of Saigon.

### VIET CONG

It was known that Viet Cong forces were in the region and possibly in the hamlet itself.

Yunc had the authority to order the jet fighter-bombers overhead to raze the hamlet with bombs, rockets and napalm if he felt the guerrillas were using it for cover.

"There were women and children visible," he said. "I had to make sure there were also Viet Cong before I could give a strike order."

"I took close looks and didn't see a thing, even though I was suspicious. But you don't go by suspicions. You go by the rules."

"So I said the hamlet looked okay and to proceed with the troop landings."

A covey of Marine helicopters began descending to a close-by paddy. The leather-necks leaped out and began forming into scouting squads.

### BULLETS

Then, from the hamlet that had appeared peaceful, came a burst of .50 caliber machine gun bullets.

Only one hit the reconnaissance helicopter. It tore savagely into Yunc's left leg.

"It was a bad wound," he said matter-of-factly. "My first concern was that I might bleed to death. Then the crew chief got a tourniquet on it and we headed for a field hospital about ten minutes away."

Doctors there tried to save the leg. The task proved an impossible one. They had to amputate.

The amputation was unique in that a television news crew was given permission by Yunc to photograph the op-



MARINE COLONEL MICHAEL R. YUNC

"This isn't going to stop me"

eration and record his comments since it was performed with a local anesthetic.

Yunc does not consider himself a hero.

"I had a job to do over there just like everyone else who is there," he said.

Yunc, who also saw combat in World War II and the Korean War, will leave the hospital for a few days to spend the holidays with his wife and two daughters in Santa Ana.

Then he'll return for more treatment and fitting of an artificial leg that may enable him to once again sit at the controls of a plane.

"Other amputees have done it," he said. "So can I."

Then a pretty nurse, Ensign Elena Prosperini, began wheeling him back to his bed.

"Thanks for coming to see me, he said with a smile to the reporters who had requested the interview.

"And Merry Christmas."

## HERB CAEN

**WONDERING MUSE:** The war propaganda is getting a bit thick these days . . . I keep staring at that UP dispatch from Da Nang—the one about the Marine Colonel giving permission to a TV crew to film the amputation of his leg. According to the story, "I hope they show that film to the demonstrators in Berkeley," said another Marine standing nearby . . . In that roaring non sequitur, I detect the fine heavy hand of a public relations officer. Aren't the demonstrations AGAINST the blood-letting that resulted in the Marine Colonel losing his leg?

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**BUSINESS AS USUAL:** If you'd like to have a serviceman at your house for Christmas, the phone numbers are 861-0164 and 861-0165 (the Navy League, which placed thousands at Thanksgiving) . . . Josh Hogue, big in the sportscar set, marries Ruth Morse—the widow of Samuel F. B. Morse Jr.—on Dec. 30 . . . Jack Foisie, the brilliant newsman, speaks at the Press Club's Gang Dinner tonight—and if ever there was a product of our civilization, it's Jack; he has covered three wars (World War II, Korea, and now Vietnam) and he's still under 50 . . . Vern Burke, the '49ers' tight end, bought a Mustang from Eddie Formosa down in Redwood and promptly banged it up \$1300 worth; the tight end stayed loose and walked away without a scratch.

## Civilian Male Nurses Now Total 14; 141 HMs Apply

WASHINGTON — The total of civilian male nurses selected has now reached 14 with the first five of them at their duty stations. And the first hospital corpsmen will be chosen by the selection board which meets in January.

There are, so far, 141 applications from both male and female hospital corpsmen who are anxious to begin the nursing program. The Navy Nurse Corps will not say how many are males.

On the civilian side, six more males who applied for the program did not qualify, either because they were over the age limit or had insufficient training.

Five of the 14 male nurses com-

pleted their indoctrination at Newport which began in October and have been assigned to their two-year duty stations. Lt. (jg) Jerry W. McClelland is at the Portsmouth, Va., Naval Hospital, Ens. Richard L. Gierman at Philadelphia, Ens. Charles "Buddy" Franklin at San Diego, and Ens. George M. Silver and Israel S. Miller at Oakland.

A sixth civilian started his Newport indoctrination in November and three others have been scheduled—two in January and one in February. The five remaining selectees will most likely begin in February and May.



# Accidents Just Don't Break Their Spirits



Sounds of home were gifts to wounded servicemen by Pacific Telephone Co. Callers at Oakland Naval Hospital were Roy Souderes (left), Jerry Terry (with PT&T's Margie Lough), Joseph Machado.

In any other place, Jerry Terry would just be a scrawny kid you'd recommend for a visit to the malt shop.

At 3 a.m. last July 29, Jerry was tractoring one of the bombers just returned from a mission when he ran off the Midway's flight deck. The safety stops had gone on the blink — Jerry didn't know — and it was too dark for him to see.

He lost both of his legs.

Yesterday he and two other casualties of the Viet Nam war made telephone calls to loved ones —

a courtesy Pacific Telephone Co. extended to wounded men in hospitals all over the Bay Area.

Jerry called home (Fort Lauderdale, Fla.). Roy Souderes called home (Natchez, Miss.). Joseph Machado called his sister in St. Louis, then boarded a plane for Bakersfield to spend the Christmas weekend with his family.

What did they say on the phone?

"Oh, you know, the usual . . . you know, whatever you say in those things," said Marine Cpl. Souderes, 22, who was wounded when another Ma-

rine's grenade accidentally exploded while they were lying in ambush for the Viet Cong.

Machado, also a Marine corporal, said it was "quite good" to speak to his sister, but his larger gift was the flight home. He lost his left leg in combat.

He said he told her he probably wouldn't be as active in sports as he used to be — football, track, baseball, swimming, boxing and wrestling. He's 21.

Airman Jerry Terry, 19, fidgeted while he waited

for the Pacific Telephone representatives — Mrs. Margie Lough and John F. Doyle — to put through his call.

He said he had spoken to them before since the "accident," as he refers to his amputation, but now every time is like the first time and he fidgets.

While waiting, he said of the future:

"I want to stay in the Navy, but I guess it'd be kind of hard for them to accept me now. I'm going to try, though."

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## Christmas Calls for Servicemen



Corporal Joseph Machado is one of the wounded servicemen who was given a courtesy call anywhere in the country as a Christmas gift from Pacific Telephone.

These calls were extended to wounded men in California hospitals, the first stop on the way home for many Vietnam combat victims. Corporal Machado, a Marine, lost his left leg and is recovering at the Oakland Naval Hospital. He called a sister in St. Louis and soon after this photograph was taken was on his way to spend the holiday weekend with other family members in Bakersfield.

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## Oak Knoll Welcomed Shower of Stars



PRE-CHRISTMAS VISIT by a group of Hollywood film and TV stars brightened the season for patients at the Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, Oakland, Calif., where more than 50 members of the audience were casualties from Vietnam. Among those visiting the wards were Yvette Mimeoaux, Edger Bergen and Charlie McCarthy, who chatted with LCpls. Joe Machado (left) and John Scafiro. Others who made the trip were Jim Nabors (TV's Gomer Pyle) master of ceremonies Johnny Grant, William Lundigan, Lewis Quinn, Sabrina Scarf, Jill Donohue, Connie Hines, Carol Cole, Deannie Childs, Joy Wilderson and musicians Earl Colbert and Ollie Harris. The show, arranged by the Navy Information Office in Hollywood, was the largest given at the hospital since the Korean War.



**PATIENT'S MERRY CHRISTMAS** — Robert Bolin, a patient at Livermore Veterans Hospital, receives a gift and a happy greeting from Santa Claus (Art Ames) Christmas morning during Santa's rounds for the Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee.



**SANTA VISITS VIET VETS** — Santa Claus (Angus McIver) and his two pretty helpers hand out gifts and exchange Christmas greetings with Viet Nam veterans at Oakland Naval Hos-

pital Christmas morning. The gifts were purchased through donations to the Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee, which collected more than \$21,000 this year.





**ROGER FRANCIS STUART MACDONALD**  
Mother, Elizabeth, holds first 1966 Eastbay baby

## Just One Second Too Late for Daddy

Almost hand in hand with the little New Year, the first child of Mr. and Mrs. Alan S. Macdonald of 24050 Silva Ave., Hayward, arrived one second after midnight this morning, to become the first baby born in the Eastbay in 1966.

Little Roger Francis Stuart arrived at 7 pounds, 10½ ounces at Eden Hospital in Castro Valley.

His father lost an income exemption by one second, but it's all right with him. "I was really hoping—well, I was hoping either way," he said.

"We're—very excited, there's no way to describe it. We're happy it worked out the way it

did, it's kind of a thrill to have the first one of the year.

"We haven't made any plans for him, it's a little early for that, but we're going to have more babies in the future."

Roger's obviously a Scotsman, and a member of two different clans. "But the Stuarts and the Macdonalds got together somewhere along the line," said his father. "The baby's mother, Elizabeth, 'is sort of a mixture."

The family came from Marin County in August. Both parents grew up and attended college there. The young father, with a finance company there, is now with the Morris Plan in Hayward.

They'll take their New Year baby home on Monday, and "one of the grandmothers will be there," said Macdonald. "They haven't decided which yet."

This means either Mrs. Stuart Macdonald or Mrs. Roger Yore of Marin County.

First runnerup came at 12:54 a.m. at Oakland Naval Hospital. It was another boy, Richard Allen Davis, born to Richard H. and Sandra Lee Davis.

Another Eastbay baby beat him into the world, but she arrived at the U. C. Medical Center in San Francisco. This was the daughter born 30 seconds after midnight to Mrs. Dennis Leahy of 1788 Ralston Ave., Richmond.

A boy was born at 1:09 a.m. at Alta Bates Hospital to Elvira and James Hughes of 2125 Valley St., Berkeley.

Three minutes later over in Contra Costa County Hospital, Martinez, the third baby of the New Year arrived. It was also a boy, born to Norma and Robert White of 140 Lancaster Road, Walnut Creek.

The first girl born in the Eastbay this year was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Parley Smith, at 1:37 a.m. at Valley Memorial Hospital in Livermore.

A boy was born to Mrs. Audrey Kerce of 40 Cayuga St., Oakley, at 2:46 a.m. in Pittsburg Community Hospital.

### Adm. Nimitz Has 'Checkup'

Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz is in Oakland Naval Hospital today for what the Navy described as a "routine checkup" following the back surgery he underwent two months ago.

The 80-year-old admiral went into the hospital early in November and returned to his home on Yerba Buena Island Dec. 12.

A hospital spokesman said at the time that the operation was considered a success.

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### Checkup for Nimitz

Fleet Admiral Chester Nimitz is in Oakland Naval Hospital undergoing a routine checkup on back surgery performed on him last November, the Navy announced yesterday.

Nimitz, 80, was admitted to the hospital November 10 for what was described as minor back surgery. He returned to his home on Yerba Buena Island last month.

## Tribune Editorial Page

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### Get Well, Admiral

It has been some time since the name of Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz has appeared in the headlines, but the American people haven't forgotten him.

Earlier this week, when the admiral had a light stroke and was confined to the Oakland Naval Hospital, the news report was picked up all across the nation.

Several million men, along with their parents, wives and children, identify with the salty little sailor from Texas.

And you can bet they are keeping up with the reports from the hospital.

Admiral Nimitz commanded the greatest naval force the world has ever known. That would be the U.S. Pacific Fleet during World War II. And the name Nimitz sparks the memories of the men who served under him during that conflict. We join them in wishing the admiral a speedy recovery.



**SGT. BUD HURST HEARS OF NEW CAL-VET AID**  
Joseph M. Farber (left) explains the service

## First Vet To Receive Viet Aid

Marine Sgt. Bud Hurst has a distinction among hospitalized veterans of Viet Nam action.

Yesterday morning there appeared beside his bed in the Oakland Naval Hospital, California's director of Veterans' Affairs, Joseph M. Farber, and the chairman of the California Veterans' Board, John D. Monaghan.

They were there to give the young serviceman from Lodi first crack at a new service for wounded, hospitalized veterans—bedside counseling.

In the interview, which officially opened the new project, Hurst was told of the availability of the Cal-Vet Farm and Home Loan program, and of educational assistance.

Both were made possible for Viet Nam veterans by legislation passed in the last session of the legislature. The bill redefined a California war veteran to include those who had served in a campaign or expedition for which the United States has issued a medal.

### Admiral Nimitz Had a Stroke

Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz is recovering from a stroke, but is in satisfactory condition at Oakland Naval Hospital, a spokesman said yesterday.

The 80-year-old World War II hero entered the hospital last Monday for what was described as a routine examination connected with minor back surgery he underwent last November.

"Studies made since Admiral Nimitz' readmission revealed a moderate cerebral thrombosis affecting his left side," the spokesman said. "This condition must be considered serious in a man of the admiral's age, however his condition is satisfactory at present."

Just when he may have suffered the stroke was not revealed.

Nimitz, who commanded the Pacific Fleet from the time of the attack on Pearl



**CHESTER W. NIMITZ Recovering**

Harbor until the surrender of Japan, was operated on last November 10. He remained hospitalized until December 11 when doctors allowed him to return to his home on Yerba Buena Island.

### Adm. Nimitz Unchanged

Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, hospitalized with a stroke, spent a "good night" last night and his condition is unchanged today, according to spokesmen for the Oakland Naval Hospital.

The 80-year-old war hero's condition, as reported yesterday, "must be considered serious in a man of (his) age. However, his condition is satisfactory at present."

The admiral was admitted to the hospital late Monday after complaining of a fainting spell which was later diagnosed as a "moderate cerebral thrombosis affecting his left side."

Admiral Nimitz has suffered a "weakening" or "impairment" of his left side, but no actual paralysis, the hospital said.



## Nimitz' 'Get-Well' Telegram From Johnson

Retired Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, reported to be recovering "satisfactorily" at Oakland Naval Hospital, received a "get-well" telegram from President Johnson yesterday.

The World War II hero suffered a "moderate cerebral thrombosis" Monday, the Navy announced Wednesday. However, the Navy warned that, to a man of Nimitz's age—80—"this condition must be considered serious."

A spokesman said the Admiral had a "good night" but some weakness still remains in his left side.

The warmly worded telegram from the Nation's capital paid tribute to the old sailor's "indomitable spirit" that gave him more than 20 years ago.

"Lady Bird and I were greatly saddened to hear of your illness. We pray for the full recovery of a great American and an old neighbor," called the President, whose Texas ranch is near the Admiral's birthplace, Fredericksburg.

## Bay USO to Honor Admiral Nimitz

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Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz will receive the USO's Silver Medallion Award and Citation "in recognition of his efforts for the USO in peace and war," according to James A. Bacigalupi Jr., Bay Area USO president.

Bacigalupi said Nimitz, who has been in ill health, has designated Rear Admiral John E. Clark, commander of the 12th Naval District, to accept the honor on his behalf.

Top military and naval officers in the Bay Area are expected to attend the ceremonial banquet, which will be co-sponsored by the USO's contributing organizations, the YMCA, YWCA, the National Catholic Community Services, the Jewish Welfare Board, the Salvation Army and the Travelers Aid Society.

## Ailing Nimitz Will Get USO Award

Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, America's ranking Naval officer and World War II commander, will be honored in absentia—because of his illness—by the Bay Area United Service Organization Tuesday at the USO's silver anniversary banquet on Treasure Island.

Admiral Nimitz remains on the serious list at Oakland Naval Hospital only slightly improved since suffering a stroke recently.

He is scheduled to receive the USO top award, the Silver Medallion, which will be presented by Allen L. Chickering Jr., western regional chairman and member of the board of governors of national USO.

Nimitz has designated Rear Admiral John E. Clark, commander of the Twelfth Naval District, to accept the award for him.

According to James A. Bacigalupi Jr., outgoing Bay Area USO president, "this Silver Medallion Award and Citation is being presented in recognition of Admiral Nimitz' interest in and efforts for the USO in peace and war."

Nimitz is credited with an important role in the founding of the federation of agencies which became USO officially on Feb. 4, 1941.

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## Red Cross Field Director

## Marian Conklin Assigned to Oak Knoll

Native Californian, University of California graduate, teacher, wife, mother, and long-time Red Cross executive—that's the story of Mrs. Marian R. Conklin of Berkeley who has just reported to U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, as Red Cross Field Director. She succeeds Miss Joan Mathews, who departed over the weekend for a new post at Western Area Office.

Mrs. Conklin's assignment to Oak Knoll culminates 23 years of widely-varied service with Red Cross.

Six months after Pearl Harbor, Mrs. Conklin, widow of Attorney Harold W. Conklin, was persuaded to accept the post of Executive Director of Berkeley Red Cross Chapter. She stayed 19 years.

From 1961-63 she worked out of the Western Area Red Cross Office in San Francisco as Assistant Director of Personnel in charge of recruitment. In this capacity she visited colleges and universities in eight western states, seeking and finding—candidates for Red Cross professional service.

"This was a most satisfying job—since as a former English teacher (in Brentwood, Piedmont, and Berkeley high schools) as well as a Red Cross worker, I had a built-in interest in schools and young people."

"I was reluctant to leave that assignment, but in Red Cross as in the military we go where we are sent. And of course being



MRS. MARIAN CONKLIN  
U.S. Naval Hospital's new Red Cross Field Director.

sent to Japan was not a hardship. The new Oak Knoll Field Director has recently spent two years as Director of Personnel for the Far East Area Red Cross

stationed 35 miles outside Tokyo, at Camp Zama, headquarters both of ARC in the Far East and of U.S. Army, Japan.

She returned last June to the Personnel Division of Western Area only to be loaned to Oak Knoll for four months administrative duty, and her land Chapter for the needs of just prior to her assignment at Oak Knoll, where she heads a professional staff of 14 and directs the work of scores of volunteers.

In 1956 Mrs. Conklin attended

the Red Cross Executive Development School in Lansing, Mich. Mathews came to Oak Knoll the following year she served on the faculty of the Development School which was held for the first time at the American Red Cross Training Council during three of her 19 years at Berkeley Chapter.

Mrs. Conklin lives at 1800 Yosemite Road. Her daughter Joyce, a graduate of Berkeley High School and UC, is a teacher at Hillsdale High School in San Mateo. Her son, Warren, also attended Berkeley High and earned his degree at Boalt School of Law on the UC campus. He is practicing law in San Luis Obispo.

When Miss Joan Mathews, Red Cross Field Director at Oak Knoll Hospital for the past three years and the executive whom Mrs. Conklin succeeds, was transferred across the bay to Western Area Office of Red Cross, she didn't need to say goodbye, for Oak Knoll is still part of her "beat."

In her new assignment as Assistant Director of Service in Military and Veteran Hospitals Miss Mathews will visit hospitals in 12 Western States including Alaska. At each hospital she will consult with staff members on program and training.

Prior to her departure from Oak Knoll Miss Mathews received a letter of appreciation from Rear Admiral H. J. Cokely, commanding officer of the hospital, for "the exemplary manner in which she performed each of the many facets of her assignment... for her superior administrative ability, and her understanding of the needs of patients and their families."

A native of Moore, Mont., and a graduate of the University of Montana with a Master of Social Sciences degree from the

## Apartment Unit Given Approval

The Oakland Planning Commission has approved a 106-unit apartment development above the Oakland Naval Hospital, but will require the builders to conceal it as much as possible from MacArthur Freeway traffic by a screen of trees.

In approving the project, the commission overruled planning director Norman Lind, who said the project is likely to be repetitious and visually dull.

The developers, Angelo and Pete Spinardi, operating as Angco, Inc., also will have to underground electrical utilities for the 4.5-acre tract, as a beautifying measure required of other sub-dividers.

The commission insisted on undergrounding, even though Angco's attorney, Chester Caldecott, said utility poles and transformers already had been installed by the Pacific Gas & Electric Company before Angco bought the property.

The development fronts Rilea Way, between Keller Avenue and Greenridge Drive.

Only 12 lots, averaging 30,000 square feet, exist in the tract now. The commission approved the 106-unit proposal, knowing that Angco could have divided each of the present lots into three small ones and legally built up to 144 apartment units in the tract.

Both the landscaping of lots and the screen of trees must be approved by the city's planning staff.

In other action, the commission rejected an application from Gene W. Lam, seeking permission to build a 25-unit, 4-story apartment building on the northeast corner of Bayo Vista and Oakland Avenues.



MISS JOAN MATHEWS  
Her new Red Cross assignment will take her traveling to military and veteran hospitals in the 12 Western states.

## World of Women

## Red Cross Reassigns Two

New and challenging assignments are in store for Joan Mathews, Red Cross field director at Oakland Naval Hospital for the past three years, and Mrs. Harold Conklin who succeeds her.

In her next new job as assistant service director in military and veteran hospitals, Miss Mathews will visit hospitals in 12 western states to consult with staff members on programs and training.

Prior to her departure from Oak Knoll, Miss Mathews, who came to Oakland from a U.S. Army hospital in Landstuhl, Germany—received a letter of commendation from Rear Admiral H.J. Cokely, commanding officer of the hospital.

Marian Conklin's assignment to Oak Knoll follows years of widely-varied service with Red Cross.

From 1961-63 Mrs. Conklin worked out of the Western Area Red Cross office in San Francisco as assistant director of personnel in charge of recruitment. In this capacity



JOAN MATHEWS  
... new Red Cross post



MRS. HAROLD CONKLIN  
... a challenging assignment

she visited colleges in the western states seeking candidates for Red Cross professional service.

Her most recent assignment was as acting manager of the Oakland Chapter of Red Cross.



# Life of a Woman in Uniform

Last of three articles on the role of women in U.S. defense today.

Let's consider the day-to-day life of a woman in uniform. As a recruit she'll probably live in barracks where she will share her quarters with either two or four other girls.

A recent recommendation by the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services pointed out that women should have more housing space. It's now 40 square feet per woman.

Barracks are plain. But they do not have to be bleak. While women in uniform are not encouraged to try the latest in avant-garde interior decoration they are free to introduce their own rugs, bedspreads, family pictures — or, if they like — fresh flowers. Stuffed animals are a favorite extra.

Automatic laundry machines and dryers are found in all quarters. Many barracks have a communal chaperoned lounge where girls can entertain family

and friends, relax or socialize. Some have small kitchens attached where snacks can be prepared.

Girls are expected to keep their own quarters clean and tidy. But no girl should get dishpan hands. Her share of the housework will be no heavier than in civilian life. Probably even lighter, as everyone pitches in and the chores are rotated.

Military life is ideal for girls who find catering for themselves a dreary necessity. Meals are taken in the mess hall and they are good. Unless she is specializing in food preparation as her military occupational specialty, a girl never has to market, cook or do dishes.

Expert dietitians plan military menus for nutritional value and appetite appeal. A typical lunch or dinner would offer a choice of meat, two or three green vegetables, a choice of desserts — always including ice cream, plain or chocolate milk, tea or coffee.



Lt. Eileen Walsh of the Navy Nurse Corps has just returned from nursing wounded servicemen in Saigon. Here she checks intravenous feeding of a patient at Oak Knoll Hospital in the Bay Area.

Salads are popular and provided in plenty. The services all make a point of keeping their uniformed womenfolk as slim and trim as possible. Any girl who has trouble sticking to a diet will find the Army, Navy, Air Force or Marines determined to help her watch her figure.

If she puts on too many extra pounds, she's under orders to take them off.

With her food and lodging taken care of, a young woman in uniform can really stretch her \$87.50 a month. Shopping in the Post Exchange stores means a wide range of feminine necessities and luxuries at rockbottom prices.

These range from cosmetics and costume jewelry to dresses and shoes. Entertainment can be a bargain, too. Movies are shown on base for ten cents admission. And there are facilities for swimming, tennis and, in some areas, sailing.

There are hobby shops where a girl can try her hand at crafts like wood-working or pottery.

And many typical bases offer a social round hard to equal in civilian life.

There will usually be clubs for enlisted men (and women) and officers. Girls over 21 can relax over a drink, always depending on the local laws in whichever state the base is situated. According to girls in uniform themselves, one of the pleasant aspects of on-base clubs is a girl never has to feel awkward. She does not necessarily have to walk into the club flanked by a girl-friend. If she wants company she can

drop in on her own and she will be welcome.

An officer or senior enlisted woman, depending on housing conditions at her base, may instead of living in barracks receive a housing and subsistence allowance.

That means she can rent her own apartment wherever she likes — as long as she gets to work on time. Higher rank and more responsibilities can mean taking a share of standing watches and working extra hours in emergencies. But basically it's an eight-hour day, five-day week.

A woman who prefers the privacy of living away from the base can get the appropriate allowance, will spend her off-hours time just like any other career girl.

## U.S. Viet Protests Sadden Chaplain

By BILL ROSE  
Tribune Religion Writer

"It breaks my heart to hear about beatniks demonstrating against our efforts in Viet Nam," writes an Army chaplain in Viet Nam to his wife in Oakland.

"While I was holding a service for my unit this morning we were attacked. Fortunately, no casualties."

"Last night the unit was attacked by mortars. This type of warfare is hard on the nerves."

"Today I had twice my usual number. The chapel was filled to capacity with many standing."

### BATTLE EXPERIENCES

These observations are among the scores of battle-front experiences which Chaplain (Capt.) Edward Mouchette, 35, of Oakland has shared with his wife, Anna, of 1036 69th Ave., since his arrival in Southeast Asia six months ago.

Chaplain Mouchette, a native of Bermuda, met Anna while both were students at Wilberforce University, Ohio.

While circumstances do not permit her to carry on the usual functions of a pastor's wife, Mrs. Mouchette seeks to share in her husband's ministry by serving countless hours as a Red Cross volunteer worker at Oakland Naval Hospital.

### WHINE, RECLINE

In reference to the heartache he suffers every time he hears about Eastbay demonstrations against Viet Nam, Chaplain Mouchette told his wife, "I'm going to talk to my men about 'The Temptations to Whine and Recline.'"

In relating the burdens heaped upon a combat-zone chaplain, Chaplain Mouchette confided to Anna:

"Regardless of the frequency of death around here you never get used to it."

"Then in the midst of this I have to be delivering death messages to some soldiers of the passing of their parents in the States. It's a job no one envies, especially under the circumstances."

"This morning I had the burdening task of informing a soldier of the death of his son. The shock was tremendous, especially when there had been no illness and no details as to how the death occurred."

### SHOWED NO FEARS

Chaplain Mouchette told of going to a remote outpost to hold services for 40 men and their response to the prospect of dying.

"After the service they left on a mission. If they had any fears, no one knows it except God."

"They're men. Yet in some sense, merely boys. However, they are performing a task with the toughness and ruggedness of seasoned veterans."

Later, back with his unit, Chaplain Mouchette described his reaction to a killing of a member of the Viet Cong. He said:

"They brought him into camp. It was the first which the Viet Cong could not drag away. It was horrible. He looked like a young boy, but you can't tell. The Vietnamese have a youthful appearance."

On another occasion Chaplain



CHAPLAIN MOUCHETTE

Mouchette reported, "We put down our weapons for awhile to build a House to God, thanks to a dedicated battalion commander."

"The commander is vitally concerned about the spiritual welfare of his men. He said that no community is complete without a church—so we built one."

Sprinkled through his letters are comments which tell of the effectiveness of his efforts in his battle-front parish.

"The services today were wonderful. Again, many committed themselves to Christ. I have to perform some baptisms as soon as we find the opportunity."

"Through my visitations with men in camp and at field positions and at hospitals, I have tried to increase their interest in religious matters—not by asking them to come to church but by simply letting them know I'm around and that someone cares."

## 1965 Busy Year for Red Cross

The Northern California floods of a year ago and services involving the war in Viet Nam highlighted the 1965 activities of volunteers and staff of the Oakland Chapter, American Red Cross.

Last January, two members of the Oakland Chapter staff, Dale E. Roe, assistant director, and Mac Siew, public information director, were assigned to work in northern counties hard hit by flooding.

The report comes as Roe was again lending assistance in Humboldt County areas stricken by new floods.

"The situation is not nearly so bad this year as it was before," he said.

At the same time, members of the Oakland Radio Club kept the Chapter's short wave radio station on the air around the clock, relaying messages to and from the disaster area.

In all, the Red Cross spent a

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total of \$2,919,577 in flood relief to assist California flood victims last year.

Disaster expenditures of \$15,770,819 provided Red Cross help to victims of catastrophes in all 50 states, three territories and 16 other countries during the 1964-65 fiscal year.

A second big activity of the Oakland Chapter during the past year has been the reactivation of the Canteen Services for troops moving through the Oakland port of embarkation.

Stepped-up U.S. action in Viet Nam has necessitated 24-hour stand-by alert for Red Cross volunteers who dispense coffee, doughnuts and reassurance to troops boarding ships here.

The Canteen Service is coordinated by the Oakland Chapter

with assistance from Alameda and Berkeley volunteers as well.

At the close of the past year, the Oakland Chapter undertook its "Living Letters" program, whereby relatives at home may send tape-recorded messages to their loved ones in Viet Nam.

No charge is being made for the service.

Red Cross Gray Ladies added their services in the closing months of the year when the first shipments of Viet Nam wounded began arriving. With the help of the Chapter's Red Cross Youth Council, Oakland Chapter volunteers helped make the Christmas season a little brighter at Oakland Naval Hospital.

The expanded Oakland Chapter service was a part of a na-

tionwide Red Cross effort which saw \$106,081,320 expenditures for the fiscal year 1964-65, according to the annual report issued by E. Roland Harriman, chairman, and James F. Collins, president of the American National Red Cross.

The year saw the largest annual response in history when the Red Cross collected 2,775,200 units of blood. Another all-time high saw 2,534,000 persons completing Red Cross water safety courses.

The report said there was a record response of \$90,463,761 in contributions in the Red Cross's annual appeal for members and funds. More than 2 million volunteers contributed their services in Red Cross programs during the year.

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## Admiral Nimitz Released From Oakland Hospital

Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz was released from Oakland Naval Hospital yesterday.

The Admiral has been hospitalized since January 3 when he suffered a mild stroke that weakened his left side.

Doctors said his condition has steadily improved and he is now able to continue his convalescence at his home quarters on Yerba Buena Island.



DELIGHTFUL DEBBIE—Actress Debbie Reynolds clowns and sings for servicemen wounded in the Viet Nam fighting, during a surprise visit Saturday to Oakland Naval Hospital. Calls for encores were many from the delighted audience.



## Volunteers' Vigil of Service Observes Red Cross Month

Oakland area Red Cross volunteers will join others across the nation this week in the annual observance of "Red Cross Month."

President Lyndon B. Johnson will address the nation tomorrow on radio and television to lead civic and community leaders in paying public tribute to the services of the American Red Cross.

"Not since the Korean War has this annual observance had such a deep and personal meaning to each one of us as it has this year," said E.V. (Bud) McCoy, chairman of the Oakland Chapter.

"Many boys from this community have either met or already received help in some way from Red Cross field personnel now serving beside our troops on the firing line in Viet Nam," McCoy said. "Many more will need our help."

Included in the Bay Area observance of "Red Cross Month" will be a mammoth, five-county "kick-off" rally Tuesday noon at Union Square in San Francisco.

Military and civic dignitaries and some 50 uniformed volunteers representing Bay Area Red Cross Chapters will take part in the rally. Music will be provided by members of the 12th Caval District Band. A special U.S. Air Force color guard from Hamilton Air Force Base will participate.

The "Red Cross Tapemobile" will tour the area during "Red Cross Month" making on-the-spot tape recorded messages to Bay Area families for their servicemen overseas.

Included in the "Tapemobile" schedule will be a stop at Oakland Naval Hospital, where Viet Nam wounded will get a chance to tape messages for their loved ones in other parts of the country.

In other areas of activity, East Bay Red Cross volunteer canteen workers are continuing their dockside vigil... serving coffee and doughnuts to troops embarking at Oakland bound for Viet Nam.

Surgical dressings volunteers at the Oakland Chapter headquarters have doubled their work schedule, from eight to 16 hours, to turnout an estimated 15,000 bandages a month.

In addition to its services to the military, the Red Cross has just completed a costly and tragic year of civilian disaster across the nation, which began with the "Christmas Floods" of Northern California and the Pacific Northwest in 1964-65.

The Red Cross spent \$22 million across America last year in disaster relief assistance. All these funds came from the American people through their direct contributions to Red



MRS. STANLEY RASMUSSEN ATTENDS PATIENT  
Gray Ladies are a vital part of Red Cross



DAVE PARSONS HELPS RAISE 'OLD GLORY'  
With Annetta Anderson (left) and Sharon Long

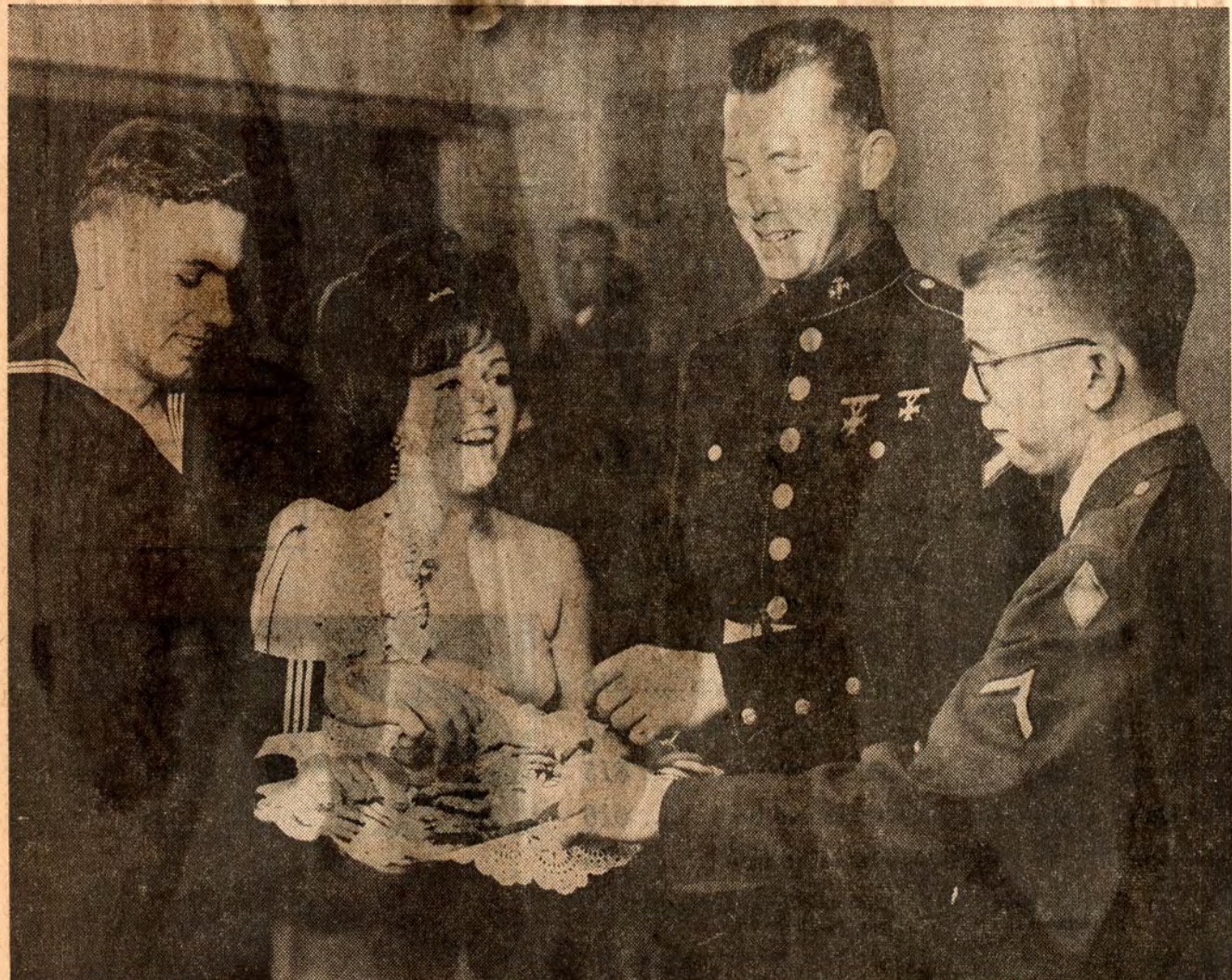
Cross chapters and in part from annual United Fund donations. With all Oakland Chapter services on a year-round basis, many of them operating at twice capacity, one veteran volunteer, a 69-year-old woman, said: "It seems as though EVERY month has been 'Red Cross Month' this year."



Guests at the USO Military Ball at Leamington Hotel included Chaplain and Mrs. Daniel Rivers, above left, and Lt. Col. and Mrs. Terrence De Beal, above right. Below are (from left) sailor Adrian Gohl, hostess Judie Singer, marine Bruce Hendershot and soldier James Slayton. To mark the 25th anniversary of USO, a 90-pound, five-tier cake baked by Alameda Naval Station was cut with a sword by ball chairman George Fawcner.

## The USO Celebrates Anniversary

Also on the Oakland USO Committee, which planned the party, are Mrs. Joseph Boeddeker, George Dini, John Engberg, Emmer Gibbons, Mrs. H. F. Griffith, Ensign Don Handal, Mildred Lamasney, E. V. McCoy, Mary Mealey, Raymond Miller, Mrs. Everett Noe, John Philpott, Mrs. Henry Reinhold, Captain Rivers, Lt. Comdr. Mary Rooney, Lt. Comdr. Raymond Sinwell, Mrs. Fred Clar and C. B. Benonys.



### Corpsman Gets Vet Counseling

SAN DIEGO—Kenneth Wray, hospital corpsman third, who was wounded last July near Chu Lai, Vietnam, became the first serviceman to receive bedside counseling under a new program of the California Veterans Affairs Department.

Wray was visited by Manuel Val, assistant to the state director of veterans affairs, at the Naval Hospital here.

The wounded corpsman also received a transistor radio, one of a group of 300 collected during a Christmas drive for distribution to wounded veterans. The drive was headed by Val and John Mackenzie, public information officer of the veterans department. More than 40 of the radios were distributed during Val's visit to the San Diego hospital. Others went to wounded men at the Oakland Naval Hospital.

### Adm. Nimitz Home From Hospital

Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz has been released from Oakland Naval Hospital to convalesce at home from a mild stroke.

The admiral was hospitalized last Jan. 3 when he suffered a stroke that hospital spokesmen said resulted in "some weakness" of his left side.

A report issued on his release yesterday said his condition "has steadily improved and he is now able to continue his convalescence at home."

The admiral and his wife live in Navy quarters on Yerba Buena Island.

### Adm. Nimitz In Serious Condition

Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz was reported in serious condition today after suffering a stroke.

A brief Navy statement said the 80-year-old war hero is "in serious condition following a stroke and he is under close observation of Bay Area Navy doctors" at his home on Yerba Buena Island.

There was no indication whether this was a second stroke or a worsening of his condition following the stroke he suffered last Jan. 3.

At that time, Nimitz was sent to Oakland Naval Hospital and was under treatment for a month.

On Feb. 2, doctors reported that his condition was "steadily improving and he is now able to continue his convalescence at home."

### Adm. Nimitz Condition 'Serious'

Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, who suffered a stroke last month, was reported "in serious condition" yesterday.

A 12th Naval District spokesman said the 80-year-old admiral's condition had declined since his release two weeks ago from Oakland Naval Hospital to recuperate at his home on Yerba Buena Island. Navy doctors are in attendance at his home, the spokesman said.

Admiral Nimitz entered the hospital last January 3 after suffering the cerebral hemorrhage. It was his second period of hospitalization in recent months. Last November he underwent surgery for what was termed "minor back surgery."

Admiral Nimitz was commander-in-chief of the Pacific Fleet throughout World War II, responsible for building it up after the attack on Pearl Harbor and directing its operations until the surrender of Japan.



# Taps Sounded for Nimitz

## Hundreds At Burial Ceremony

By Paul Avery

Hundreds of mourners stood with heads bowed yesterday as Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz was buried on a gentle, grassy slope at Golden Gate National Cemetery in San Bruno.

Then, as Taps sounded from a single bugle, the military among them saluted for the last time the man who molded the mightiest naval force in history and led it to victory against the Japanese in World War II.

The Admiral's widow, Catherine, who shared 53 years of his life, stood silently as the Protestant graveside service was read over the flag-draped casket.

She seemed to be on the verge of tears when Rear Admiral James W. Kelly, Chief of the Navy Chaplains Corps, paid special tribute to Admiral Nimitz.

Chaplain Kelly thanked God "for Your servant, Chester William Nimitz."

### EULOGY

"We are grateful," he said, "through the years of his devotion to duty and in shouldering great positions of leadership and responsibility he was temperate and truthful in speech, honorable and generous in dealing with others, humble in his estimation of himself, faithful and loyal to his high calling as a naval officer; always mindful of our Nation and its responsibility to stand against aggression and enslavement."

Francis Cardinal Spellman of New York, a close friend also said a brief prayer in which he termed the Admiral "a patriot" who served

America both in times of war and peace.

The funeral procession arrived at the National Cemetery shortly before 3 p.m. from Treasure Island where the Admiral's body had lain in the Navy Chapel for 90 minutes while family and friends filed by the closed casket to pay their last respects.

Ten pall bearers—representing the Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Army and Air Force—lifted the silver steel casket from the hearse and placed it onto a

caisson pulled by 15 Navy enlisted men.

The 12th Naval District Band, slowly marching ahead of the caisson, played funeral renditions of "Anchors Aweigh" and the "Marines Hymn" as, 2000 feet overhead, a flight of 70 Navy jets roared across the skies. Behind the caisson, a Navy chief petty officer led a riderless horse with a silver sword hanging from the saddle. Boots were reversed in the stirrups.

It was sunny but chilly at the cemetery as the services began. They were kept brief

and simple, as had been requested by the 80-year-old admiral before his death last Sunday in his quarters on Yerba Buena Island. He would have been 81 yesterday.

### CANNON

A short distance from the gravesite was a battery of cannon that boomed two 19-gun salutes during the 30-minute services.

Taps was still being sounded as the Stars and Stripes was carefully removed from the casket and folded into a triangle, then handed to

Navy Secretary Paul H. Nitze who was holding the Admiral's personal five-star flag.

Secretary Nitze turned and gave both flags to Mrs. Nimitz.

She held them tightly to her bosom for a few seconds, then handed the two folded flags to her son, retired Rear Admiral Chester W. Nimitz Jr.

Earlier in the day, Nitze had sent a message to Navy and Marine Corps personnel throughout the world in which he said that Nimitz' "character will be an in-

spiration and standard for all of us in the years to come."

The Navy Secretary was also serving yesterday as President Johnson's personal representative at the funeral as the President was unable to attend because of the press of work in Washington.

### HEADSTONE

The grave of Admiral Nimitz will be no different than the thousands of others at Golden Gate. It will be marked only by a small white headstone.

"That was his order," said a Navy spokesman. "It was carried out."

## Dignitaries At Nimitz Services

Mourners at yesterday's graveside funeral services for Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz included his family, close friends, and many military and civilian dignitaries.

Members of the Nimitz family included the Admiral's widow, Catherine; son, retired Rear Admiral Chester W. Nimitz Jr.; three daughters, SISTER Mary Aquinas (the former Mary Manson Nimitz), Anne Elizabeth Nimitz, and Mrs. Catherine (James T.) Lay, and a grandson, Richard F. Lay.

Serving as Escort Commander for the funeral was Rear Admiral John E. Clark, commandant of the 12th Naval District.

### GUARD

Appointed as a special honor guard were Admiral David L. McDonald, Chief of Naval Operations; General Wallace M. Greene Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps; Lieutenant General James L. Richardson, Commanding General of the Sixth Army, and Lieutenant General W. K. Martin, representing General J. P. McConnell, Air Force Chief of Staff.

Honorary pallbearers included retired Admiral Raymond A. Spruance, Rear Admiral Eugene B. Fluckey, Rear Admiral John McNay Taylor, Rear Admiral C. C. Knapp, Colonel Elliott Wilson, Allyn G. Smith, retired Captain Robert L. Irvine, Walter A. Haas Sr., retired Vice Admiral John Redman, retired Captain Alvah B. Court, retired Captain Henry A. Orr, retired Captain Earl R. Shipp, STANLEY Powell Sr., Major General Carroll W. McCoplin, and Dr. John Upton.

### PRESIDENT

Attending as the personal representative of President Johnson was Navy Secretary Paul H. Nitze.

Among many other digni-

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The Admiral's funeral procession as it left Treasure Island on the way to San Bruno

By Bill Young

taries present were Francis Cardinal Spellman of New York, Mayor John F. Shelley, Benjamin Swig, Rear Admiral Peter M. Compston of the British Embassy in Washington, Bishop Hugh Guilfoyle of the San Francisco Archdiocese; Admiral U. S. Grant Sharpe, commander-in-chief of U.S. forces in the Pacific area; former Navy Secretary Fred Korth, and former Navy Secretary John Sullivan.

Representatives of all nations which maintain a consulate in San Francisco were also in attendance.



# Admiral's Life Full of Honors



A smiling Mrs. Nimitz watches President Truman pin medal on her husband



His medals and WWII surrender document

## His Proud Words

"Among the Americans who served on Iwo, uncommon valor was a common virtue"—March 17, 1945, after battle for Iwo Jima.

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"A ship is always referred to as 'she' because it costs so much to keep one in paint and powder"—talk before the Society of Sponsors of the U.S. Navy, Feb. 13, 1940.

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"Hooman wa nui"—Hawaiian for "be patient"—which is what he told everyone who demanded, "Where is the Pacific fleet?" after the bombing of Pearl Harbor.

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"A cross between a Jules Verne fantasy and a whale"—description of American submarine in the first decade of this century.

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"You will be governed by the principle of calculated risk. This means the avoidance of exposure of your force to attack by superior enemy forces without good prospects of inflicting greater damage on the enemy"—his orders to carrier commanders, Battle of Midway, June, 1942.



Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz: 'finest traditions of the naval service'



A proud baby-sitter with his grandchildren



As commander-in-chief, Pacific Fleet, he signed World War II surrender on Missouri



A native Texan, he donned cowboy gear at dinner



Nimitz relaxes at his former Berkeley home with mementoes of his long career



A young midshipman Nimitz and grandfather



A fond greeting by Nimitz for his wife on return from the war



## Hero of Pacific Fleet

# Admiral Nimitz Dies



Aboard the Missouri in Tokyo Bay, Sept. 2, 1945, Admiral Nimitz signed the articles of Japanese surrender. At left are General Douglas MacArthur, Admiral William F. Halsey and Admiral Forrest P. Sherman.

### Words of Praise

## The Nation In Mourning

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, whose Annapolis classmates once dubbed him "a man of cheerful yesterdays and confident tomorrows," was mourned last night by the nation he spent his life serving.

Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara officially passed the word of the death of Nimitz to the armed forces with the comment:

"... The Nation has lost one of our greatest naval leaders. All the armed forces salute his life of achievement with the words, 'Well done.'"

#### EISENHOWER

A comrade in arms, former President Dwight D. Eisenhower, said from his winter home in Palm Desert:

"Admiral Nimitz was one of the most distinguished officers of World War II. The entire Nation will always owe him a debt of gratitude.

"He was a good friend whom I admired and respected deeply."

When Nimitz was stricken with a cerebral hemorrhage last month, President Lyndon B. Johnson sent him a telegram praising the old sailor's "indomitable spirit that gave us hope 20 years ago."

#### YEARBOOK

The Naval Academy's yearbook of the graduating class of 1905 described Ensign Chester W. Nimitz as "a man of cheerful yesterdays and confident tomorrows."

The yearbook editors predicted that Nimitz would become an admiral.

He did. He was the last surviving five-star admiral of World War II.



Admiral Nimitz at his Berkeley home with his special sundial.



An Indian dance in 1947, as the Admiral (center) is made an honorary chief of Ojibwa tribe of Harbor Springs, Mich.

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Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, which ignited World War II.

White-haired even then, although only 56, Nimitz took over on Christmas Day. He directed the resurgence of the crippled fleet, and, through the homefront ability to build production line warships, saw his command grow to the greatest naval force ever assembled in one ocean.

Even while desperately short of carriers, he won two early victories — in the Coral Sea and off Midway. He went on to plan and direct the naval strategy which led to ultimate victory over Japan after an epic 3½-year struggle.

#### LEADERSHIP

Historians rate Admiral Nimitz as one of the great sea warriors of all times, notwithstanding the fact his high post kept him almost continuously at Pearl Harbor throughout the conflict.

His grasp of the immense problems connected with coordinating units scattered over 65 million square miles of ocean went hand-in-hand with a skill at reducing administration to essential decisions.

He had the ability to spot good men and place them in positions most suited to their talents.

During his daily staff meetings at Pearl Harbor, tempers often rose during arguments on strategy. Admiral Nimitz, when he spotted a developing impasse, would introduce some appropriate anecdote in an effort to "substitute light for heat" in the debate.

Like two other top-ranking war leaders, Generals George Marshall and Dwight Eisenhower, Admiral Nimitz displayed none of the aristocratic behavior associated with some military men.

He was humble. When appointed to succeed Admiral Husband Kimmel after the Pearl Harbor disaster, Admiral Nimitz told then Secretary of Navy Frank Knox that "I am too junior" to hold such an important job. Knox demurred.

#### CONSIDERATE

He was considerate. Arriving at the take-over meeting, Admiral Nimitz said to Kimmel: "It might have happened to me."

He was informal. One day a sailor from Texas (where Nimitz was born) asked to see the Admiral. He had him admitted and then sent for a photographer for a picture of the two together.

Later the Admiral explained to his aide: "The sailor said his shipmates had bet him \$20 he wouldn't get in to see me. I wanted him to have the evidence."

Usually his wartime days were pressure-packed. Only the broadest outlines of policy came from the White House. His only intimate contact in Washington was Admiral Ernest J. King, Chief of Naval Operations.

#### BURDEN

The burden of planning naval phases of the Pacific War operations, and coordinating them with General Douglas MacArthur's land campaigns, rested almost entirely with Admiral Nimitz.

And at least at the Battle of Midway, he had to gamble.

The earlier battle of the Coral Sea made it appear the main Japanese effort was to seize Australia. But after evaluating intelligence reports, Admiral Nimitz decided it was a cover for Japan's real intention of driving into the Central Pacific, probably to invade Midway. He ordered Admiral William F. Halsey Jr. to withdraw his fleet from the south and head for Midway.

He ordered Admiral R. A. Spruance out from Pearl. The combined fleet, under Spruance's over-all command, sank four of the enemy's largest carriers and a heavy cruiser, breaking the back of Japan's offensive ability in the Pacific.

This decision to concentrate his force at Midway probably was the greatest single courageous act in Admiral Nimitz' career. And it proved his wisdom as well.

In 1944, Congress promoted him to Fleet Admiral, the highest rank ever given U.S. naval officers. And so it was



## Two Warriors

The scene is Richmond, Virginia, and the drinks, naturally, mint juleps. And the date — 1946. Admiral Nimitz and General Dwight D. Eisenhower had just been awarded honorary degrees of Doctor of Laws. The occasion called for a toast.

## Johnson's Tribute To Nimitz

#### Washington

President Johnson paid tribute last night to the late fleet Admiral Chester Nimitz as a man of "quiet courage and resolute leadership."

The praise from the President came after Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara sent word to the Armed Forces in a special message of the death of the World War II leader.

In a statement released by Press Secretary Bill D. Moyers, Mr. Johnson said:

"Admiral Nimitz loved his country and the sea. His devotion to one inspired his mastery of the other, earning for his quiet courage and resolute leadership the undying gratitude of his countrymen and an enduring chapter in the annals of naval history."

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head." He won fame as a wrestler, and as a whiz in mathematics. He wanted to be a soldier.

Lack of vacancies from his Congressional district kept him from entering West Point. But by winning a competitive exam he won appointment to the Naval Academy.

He graduated seventh in a class of 114 cadets in 1905. The yearbook called him "that man of cheerful yesterdays and confident tomorrows."

#### RESCUE

In 1912, then Lieutenant Nimitz almost drowned while rescuing a seaman washed overboard from the subma-

rine Skipjack. For this he was awarded the silver life-saving medal. Many other decorations were to come later, but Admiral Nimitz prized this one greatly.

(He was to have one other brush with death; in World War II his aircraft crashed while landing, but he was not badly hurt.)

At the age of 27 he commanded a submarine flotilla in the Atlantic; during World War I he was on the staff of the Atlantic submarine force command.

#### ROTC

In 1926 he organized the Naval ROTC at the University of California. It was during this three-year tour that he and his wife, Catherine Vance Freeman, whom he had married in 1913, decided to make the Bay Area their home upon retirement.

Steadily he forged up the ladder to command big warships and then combines of warships. He was in Washington in a two-star post as Chief of the Bureau of Navigation when the call to report to Pearl Harbor came.

At his death he held countless decorations from foreign governments and distinguished Service Medals awarded by the Navy, by Congress and by the Army.

He held honorary degrees from 19 universities, including California and Harvard.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are their four children: Catherine Vance Lay, married to Rear Admiral (Ret.) James T. Lay; Commander Chester W. Nimitz Jr., and Anne Elizabeth (Nancy) and Mary Manson Nimitz.

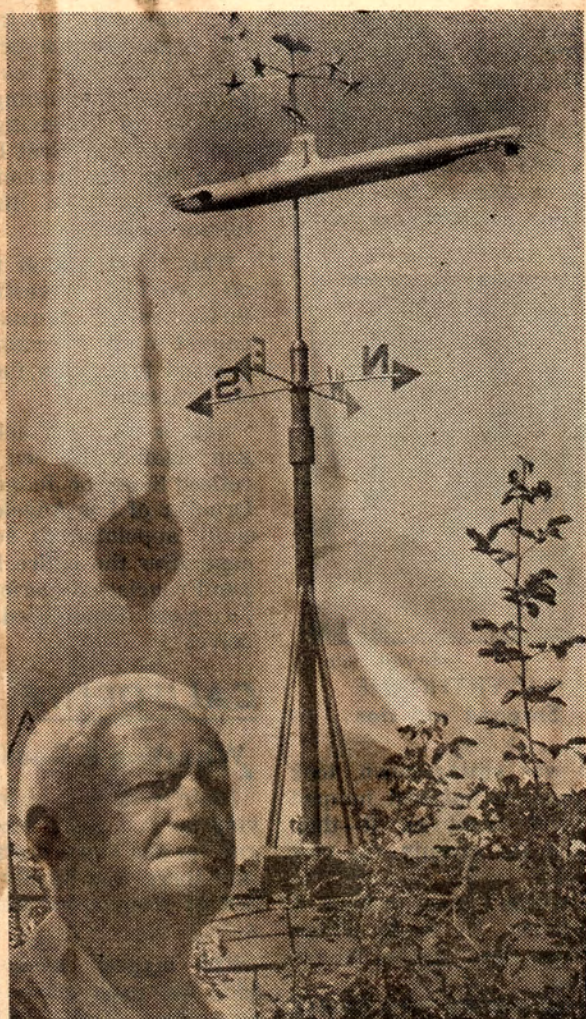
The family had not completed funeral arrangements last night. But the Navy announced that burial will be in the Golden Gate National Cemetery, San Bruno, on Thursday.



The Admiral was a babysitter in San Diego in 1948 — with three grandsons, Robert Freeman Lay, Chester Nimitz Lay and John Thomas Lay.



# The Week's News in Review



—UPI Telephoto

1956: NIMITZ AT HOME

## *Last of the 5 Stars*

SYMBOLIC SUBMARINE model, topped by five stars and a submariner's dolphin insignia, surmounted the weathervane at the Berkeley home of retired Fleet Admiral Chester Nimitz and his wife.

The blue-eyed "backwoods boy from Texas," Annapolis Class of 1905, had commanded the First Submarine Flotilla in pre-World War I days when underwater "pig-boats" were, in Nimitz' words, looked down on as "a cross between a Jules Verne fantasy and a whale." As a young ensign, he confessed, "I got frightfully seasick."

But Americans best remembered the leather-skinned, white-haired professional sailor as the man who had replaced Admiral Husband Kimmel as Commander in Chief of the Pacific Fleet a few days after Pearl Harbor and—commanding eventually 5000 ships and two million men—fought Japan's navy to defeat in the air and water of the Pacific's 65 million square miles in a series of epochal battles: Coral Sea, Midway, Tarawa, the Marianas.

After the war the newly created Fleet Admiral (a rank equivalent to General of the Army) was decorated by a dozen countries, including his own. Oakland named a freeway for him.

In January, Nimitz suffered a stroke. And last Sunday morning, the last of the five-star admirals died. He would have been 81 Thursday.







# Viet Nam War Vets at Hospital Tell of Conflict on Land, Sea

By JIM CARBERRY

"Now set the refueling detail," came the booming voice over the loudspeaker.

Twenty-one-year-old Dave Cussins of El Cerrito, a boatswain's mate aboard the USS Ranger, hustled to his refueling station as the aircraft carrier made ready to come alongside an oiler.

Refuelings came every other day for the men of the Ranger as the ship steamed in the South China Sea near the coast of Viet Nam.

As the carrier came alongside, the oiler's crew fired a shot line that landed on the carrier's deck. The deck crew pulled on the shot line which was threaded to a span wire. Once the span wire was lashed down to holding blocks, the crew prepared to tug on another line that would haul the refueling hose across the span wire.

Then it happened. One of the anchoring blocks

snapped loose. The refueling line slashed across the deck like a whip, knocking Cussins unconscious. Another man went into shock after the writhing refueling hose missed pounding his head by an inch.

After treatment in sick bay, Cussins was shipped back to the states where he is now recovering at the Navy's Hospital in Oakland.

Cussins credited the air crew, which handles the launching and recovery of aircraft, as the hardest-working division aboard ship.

"The airdales worked until after midnight. Then the crew was up at 4 or 5 the next morning when flight operations started again," he said when I visited him at the hospital.

"How late did the boatswain's mates work?"

"Well, we usually refueled at 1:30 or 2 a.m. after flight operations were finished."

"How long were you at sea?"

"Forty-seven days one time, 67 the next."

A "FIRST"

The Ranger may be the first Navy ship to have a girl aboard during the long days at sea.

The officers' wives gave the skipper and crew a mannequin as a mascot.

I asked Cussins if he took any ribbing from his shipmates since he lived near Berkeley and its anti-Viet Nam war demonstrations. Personally I don't agree with them (the demonstrators) but that's their prerogative."

Across the ward was Lance Corporal Joe Machado of Bakersfield, who saw action in Viet Nam with the third battalion, third Marine division.

Last September Machado's amtrack unit came under Viet Cong fire when they tried to rescue another amtrack crew that was trapped in a VC ambush.

When Machado was clobbered by mortar fragments, his left leg was amputated to save his life.

But Machado expects to be back on his feet again after he completes therapy using an artificial leg designed by the hospital staff.

ALL OPINIONS

He seemed in good spirits, and no wonder. Couple of weeks ago he was photographed with Debbie Reynolds when she visited the hospital. And just before I talked to him he had a visit from an attractive Red Cross nurse. By the time he's discharged from the hospital his little black book should be filled with names from A through Z.

"How'd you tell whether a man was a Viet Cong?" I asked.

His reply brought out the irony of the Viet Nam conflict.

"One day the medics treated a man who had a splintered arm. We shot him the next. He turned out to be a Viet Cong."

"There's only one way to spot a Viet Cong," he added, "that's if he's shooting at you."

Machado said there's a well-known joke circulating among the Marines in Viet Nam: "If you're shot at by a sniper and he misses, he's only a guerrilla; but if he hits you, he's a hard-core Viet Cong."

The anti-Viet Nam war demonstrations "are bad on morale," said Machado. "I had a run-in with one of those guys on Telegraph Ave. once, and . . . well I'd rather not talk about it."

MAKING PLANS

I was about to explain that in Berkeley there is every conceivable shade of opinion on the Viet Nam conflict, not just those of the outspoken anti-Viet Nam war movement. But to an outsider, learning the kaleidoscope of opinions in Berkeley must be as difficult as determining the political sympathies of a Vietnamese peasant.

Pete Puliz of San Francisco, a 20-year-old Marine private who was with the First Reconnaissance Force, was recovering from injuries sustained during a patrol west of Da Nang. He was strapped in a harness and was being hoisted aboard a helicopter when the Viet Cong suddenly opened fire. The pilot dipped the 'copter and the strap broke at tree top level.

In the give and take of the Viet Nam war the VC can be chased out of a village one month, but when a Marine patrol circles through the village later it frequently discovers a cache of Communist Chinese small arms, Machado said. To compound this dilemma, the VC are very efficient in gleaned intelligence information from the peasants, usually through terrorist tactics.

Now the sound of guns is 6,000 miles away, and these men are making plans for the future.

Cussins is thinking of studying construction engineering at Contra Costa College or California Polytechnical Institute. father, Roy Cussins, is a concrete contractor. Machado plans to return to Bakersfield Junior College to study business administration, while Puliz may enter social work or the real estate profession.

But first they want time to think things over.

Certainly life must be a very precious thing to any man who has survived the dangers of the battlefield or the hazards of the sea.

## 41-Year Hitch

### Capt. Canaga, Classmate of Adm. Nimitz

Capt. Bruce L. Canaga, 83, an Annapolis native whose naval career spanned 41 years, died Tuesday in Martinez, Calif.

On the day of his death Capt. Canaga received a letter from Navy Secretary Paul H. Nitze inviting him to serve as pall-bearer at the funeral of Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, a close friend and classmate.

A 1905 graduate of the Naval Academy, Capt. Canaga served with a minelaying force in the North Atlantic during World War I. He was recalled to active duty in World War II and conducted an officers training program at the University of California. He was stationed in Washington in 1935.

Capt. Canaga is survived by a son, Capt. Bruce L. Canaga Jr. of the Navy Medical Corps, now stationed in Vietnam, whose home is at 4000 Tunlaw rd. nw.; two daughters, Margaret Coll and Elizabeth Canaga, both of Berkeley, Calif.; a sister, Dorothy Canaga, Pasadena, and two grandsons.



Capt. Canaga

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## Hospital Recruits 'Jangos'

Oakland Naval Hospital is seeking teen-age daughters of officers in the armed forces to train for JANGO service.

JANGO (Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization), founded in Washington, D.C., in 1942, is a service organization that provides opportunity for girls to acquaint themselves with the nursing profession and gives them a feeling for community service.

The next class will convene April 4, and applications must be in by Tuesday, March 15. Application forms may be obtained by telephoning the office of the chief nurse at the hospital.

The girls will receive 24 hours of classroom instruction from a Navy Nurse Corps officer. This will be followed by 76 hours of supervised work in the hospital's dependent wards.

Duties include bed making, giving bed baths, taking temperatures, assisting with admission and discharge of patients, and aiding in many other ways to make the patients' hospital stay pleasant.

JANGOS wear attractive blue pinafores with red and white trim. They are capped upon completion of their 100 hours of training. From then on, serving as school schedules allow, the young volunteers earn pins and chevrons as they reach various milestones in their service.

On special "JANGO Days" the girls work, have lunch together, and hear a lecture by a staff doctor.

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## Red Cross Earns Support

This is Red Cross Month. It's an observance that won't make much of an impression on some citizens. But for millions, whose lives have been altered by the unusual, Red Cross Month has particular significance.

With the United States now engaged in a shooting war in Viet Nam, with an increasing number of American boys and their families being affected by that war, the Red Cross becomes an important factor.

The accent on Red Cross services in the Oakland area, and throughout the country, is on Viet Nam. Since June of last year, at the request of the Department of Defense, the Oakland Chapter has reactivated its Canteen Services. Volunteers from East Bay Chapters have maintained their dockside services with every new shipment of troops embarking for Viet Nam.

A statistical report shows that since last June, dockside volunteers here have served nearly 3,000 gallons of coffee, 83,000 doughnuts and 29,000 pints of milk. A total of some 3,000 volunteer hours have been worked.

The above is just one of the many activities performed by Red Cross volunteers. They are now turning out surgical dressings at the Oakland Chapter headquarters. They have doubled their

schedule from 8 to 16 hours a week. In January alone, they turned out more than 15,000 bandages.

When the wounded began arriving from Viet Nam at the Oakland Naval Hospital, the Red Cross increased its staff and volunteer help, offering counseling service as well as assistance in the wards and in programs of recreational and occupational therapy.

But the Red Cross doesn't neglect the home front. During such costly disasters as the Northern California floods last year, Midwest tornadoes and Hurricane Betsy, the Red Cross spent more than \$22 million in giving aid to victims. This money was in outright gifts, not loans, and the only way it can be replaced is through contributions directly to the Red Cross or, in part, from annual allocations from United Funds.

Of course, there are many other activities which continue the year-round programs of service to the community, such as First Aid, Water Safety, Swim to Live, Home Nursing, Mother and Baby Care, etc.; they all comprise the mammoth operation of an organization which was begun over 100 years ago by volunteers and which continues to this day under volunteer leadership and service.

The Red Cross has earned the support it receives.

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## Volunteers for JANGO Have Mar. 15 Deadline

The Oakland Naval Hospital is asking for applications from teenage daughters of active, retired, or reserve military officers for the next class of JANGO (Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization). It was founded in Washington, D.C., in 1942 to acquaint girls with the nursing profession and the ideals of community service.

Captain J. B. Kackley's daughter, Catherine, completed the training last summer.

Applications must be in by March 15 for the next class, which will convene on April 4. For application forms, telephone the hospital's chief nurse on 569-8211, extensions 246 or 245.

### 100 HOURS

Enrollees receive 24 hours of classroom instruction from a Navy Nurse Corps officer and 76 hours of supervised work in the hospital's dependent wards.

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## Former Sub Chief Is In Hospital

Retired Vice Admiral Charles A. Lockwood, who commanded the United States Navy's submarine forces in the Pacific during World War II, is in Oakland Naval Hospital for treatment of a respiratory ailment, it was learned yesterday.

Hospital spokesmen said the 74-year-old submarine chief was admitted Monday and was "responding well to treatment" until Wednesday morning when he suffered a mild stroke. Since then, however, he has been making "satisfactory progress" towards recovery.

Admiral Lockwood, who retired in 1947, lives with his wife, Phyllis, in Monte Serepo, near Los Gatos.

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## Vice-Admiral Recovering Following Light Stroke

Vice Admiral Charles A. Lockwood, 74, commander of submarine forces in the Pacific during World War II, is reported in satisfactory condition at Oakland Naval Hospital following a mild stroke.

The admiral was admitted to the hospital on Monday with a respiratory illness, and then suffered a stroke. He was reported "progressing slightly."

The famed submariner, who retired from active duty in 1947,

makes his home near Los Gatos with his wife, Phyllis.

Since his retirement, the admiral has written several books, hosted a television series, and has acted as technical advisor for a number of motion pictures dealing with submarines.



# Girls: Uncle Sam Wants You, Too

By NANCY SHARP

It is highly unlikely that American women ever will be drafted into the armed forces — although such a plan is not completely out of the question.

It does have powerful advocates. Among them is Lt. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, director of the United States Selective Service, who during a recent press conference reiterated his long held personal preference for "universal military training and service."

And, there is a need.

**THE MILITARY** build-up in Viet Nam has caused a drastic nurse shortage.

If the situation, which has been described as "critical," is not alleviated by current programs to draft male nurses and recruit more female ones, something else will have to be done.

Gen. Hershey's view in favor of universal military training and service is a purely theoretical one, according to his spokesman, Capt. William S. Pascoe.

He definitely is not proposing it, nor does he consider it as a possible solution to his problems with the shrinking manpower pool for the draft, Capt. Pascoe explained during an interview with The Tribune.

**LIKE MOST** other observers, the director feels that it would be difficult, if not impossible, to get the necessary Congressional authorization for drafting women.

Hershey does feel, Capt. Pascoe presumes, that "if men and women alike were asked to serve their country, it would afford a greater degree of strength to the nation and more equity to citizens."

If such a plan ever were instituted, Hershey said during the recent press conference, registered nurses would undoubtedly be the first women called. Nurses were the only women for whom a draft was proposed during World War II. A nurse draft bill, passed by the House in March of 1945, was dropped after V-E Day.

**AN OPPONENT** to any proposal to draft women is Mrs. Agnes O'Brien Smith, deputy city attorney for San Francisco who serves as chairman of the national Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS).

"I don't think it ever will be neces-



sary," she explained during an interview with The Tribune. "If we can just get the message to American women that they are needed, I'm sure they will respond to the call like they did during World War II."

There is now, she said, "a crying need for registered nurses, a

much greater one than ever developed during World War II or the Korean War."

**THE GOAL** of the Women's Army Nurse Corps, she said, is to recruit 5,000 additional nurses by June of 1967. The Selective Service is trying to round up 900 male nurses in the next few months, but no one

is very hopeful that this can be accomplished. This is the first time that male nurses ever have been included in a special induction call.

"Nursing has been de-glamorized as a career," is the reason Mrs. Smith gives for the nursing shortage.

"During World War II nurses were regarded as heroines, but today that image has faded and many young women consider airline hostessing to be a more exciting and adventurous career. But when you really think about it, airline stewardesses are really just glorified waitresses."

**PROGRAMS** designed to attract prospective nurses into the armed services are in operation. One offers scholarship help to college students.

Just getting underway is a scheme through which vocational nurses can enlist at the rank of warrant officer.

Additional incentives of this sort will be discussed at the next DACOWITS meeting, to be conducted by Mrs. Smith April 24-27 in Washington D.C.

"We will also be asking officials at the Pentagon whether they will be requesting more women in the services, and if so, how many," she said, recalling that in 1951 during the Korean War the Women's Army Corps alone was suddenly asked to expand its ranks from 10,000 to 25,000.

Capt. Pascoe underscored the importance of service women. "Every woman on duty takes the place of a man who does not have to be drafted," he pointed out.

**AN ALMOST** bewildering array of career opportunities is open to these women. They currently are working in such diverse fields as meteorology, medical research, optometrics, coding, law, aviation, data processing and space research.

Several hundred women are stationed in Viet Nam, working in offices and as advisors and nurses.

Two WAC officers recently organized South Vietnamese women into an auxiliary force, the Women's Armed Forces Corps or WAFCCs, and supervised their training.

Nearly 200 women nurses are serving in hospitals near combat zones. They are not attached to units likely to encounter enemy fire.

## World of Women

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## Draft Women? Idea's Not New

Drafting women into the armed services is almost out of the question—here and now—but such a scheme was proposed during World War II, and military service is required today of women in a few countries.

"No reason whatsoever exists why the women's branches of the armed services must go begging for recruits," Rep. Emanuel Celler, D-N.Y., told Congressional colleagues in 1944 when he introduced a bill to authorize the drafting of single, unemployed women between the ages of 20 and 35.

"If NO argument or plea of our Secretary of War, or the commanding officers in and out of combat areas can convince the women of America of such need, then let the law do so," he went on.

Three years earlier Rep. Edith Nourse Rogers, R-Mass., had urged Representatives to allow women to take their places side-by-side with men "because we—the women—want to do our part."

In 1942 President Franklin D. Roosevelt considered a proposal for compulsory registration of women so that the Service would know where the nation's womanpower was located.

In 1950 Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, Republican governor of New York, called for the establishment of "one general registration for national service, including all Americans, both men and women, above the ages of seventeen."

**THE CRISIS** we face is Beverly Swartz adjusts the size of the radiation beam on a cobalt therapy unit as part of her job with the Waves Hospital Corps. The x-ray technician at Oakland's Oak Knoll Hospital is one of the many service women whose specialized training has led to a challenging and interesting career.

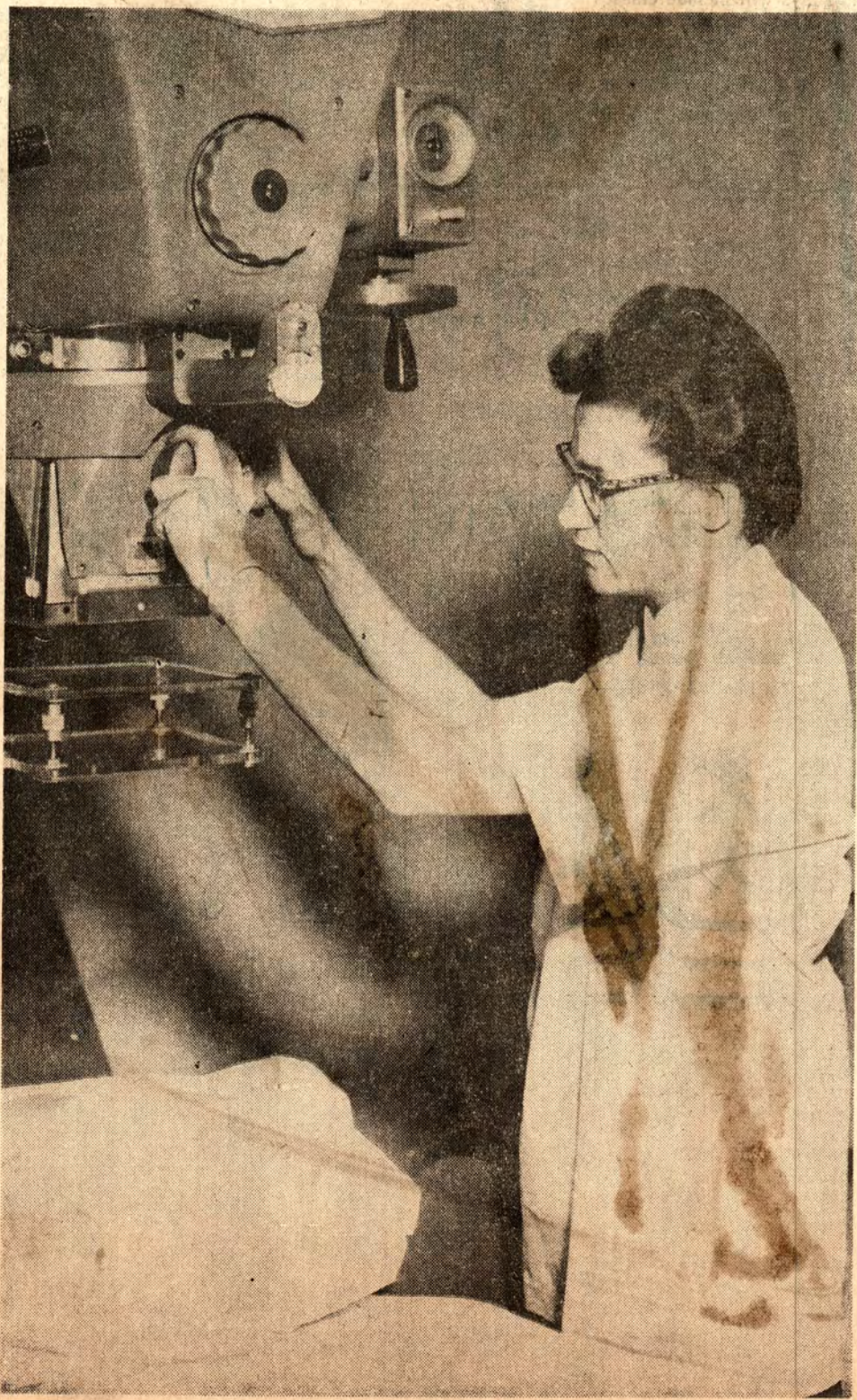
total. The national must be able to call upon every American."

Outstanding among the countries where women are inducted into the military service along with men is Israel.

There, non-combatant service of two years is required of all unmarried women between the ages of 18 and 26. Afterward childless women remain in the reserves until they are 34.

Men there serve 2½ years on active duty and their reserve commitment (which includes yearly summer camp training) extends through the age of 49.

—Nancy Sharp



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## Assignment—Far East

By NINA MESSER

"Living in the relative security of an American military establishment for two years," said Mrs. Harold W. Conklin, the recently appointed Red Cross Hospital Field Director at the U.S. Military Hospital in Oakland, "gave me the opportunity to see the bubbling cauldron that is Asia today."

At sometime before she was assigned with the Red Cross to Camp Zama, located 35 miles from Tokyo, she had mentioned she would like to go overseas. When the time came, after some 19 years that she has been executive director of the Berkeley Red Cross, it was "now or never" this I became a vagabond mother."

Of course this is part of the bargain when you work for the Red Cross, she said, "you agree to be world mobile. According to our charter we go wherever our servicemen are, and they have no choice in the matter."

In a talk before the Berkeley City Club last week, Mrs. Conklin touched briefly on the effects of the war in the Far East. "A flight I had scheduled was cancelled in favor of cargo, for example, and you could read between the lines, but not much was really said."

She did add, however, that the

recreation facilities or clubmobile similar to those provided in Korea by the Red Cross for our military personnel, were in the planning stage for Viet Nam during her stay there. "They already exist by now," she said.

She turned to other, more personal adventures of her "Assignment—Far East," as her talk was titled. She traveled over much of the Far Eastern area, the largest among the Red Cross' four domestic and four overseas areas, and she brought many of the treasures she had collected with her to highlight her talk.

The first thing she discovered upon reaching Camp Zama, which she said took a taxi, and train, and an express and some 1½ hours from Tokyo, was that it wasn't really like camping. "I had to write home for more hats!"

Included in her billeting, which meant one room, a bathroom and a kitchenette shared among eight women, was the privilege of eating in the officer's club. The club itself—formerly, the West Point of Japan where all the Japanese officers were trained—was quite an elegant place. As she said, she needed more hats.

She noted, in the Red Cross requirements for their personnel, "women have to be single."

Mrs. Conklin, herself a widow with grown children, continued,



MRS. CONKLIN

room, she commented, and gradually as they are displaced, they "go to the cities and become taxi drivers."

The salary scale in Japan is much lower than in this country, she said, but they have 11 kinds of bonuses! It seems that, for any number of reasons a worker may receive as much as an extra four months wages, just in bonuses, during the course of each year. "They believe you shouldn't go into the New Year with any debts."

After telling of festivals they visit and other opportunities afforded them as members of the Red Cross to meet the Japanese on a "people to people basis," she concluded her talk with a description of two extended trips that she made to South Asia, in particular India.

Finally, she told the City Club members in the audience, many of whom she had worked with in her days with the Berkeley Chapter of the Red Cross. "I'm always a recruiter at heart."

"The Red Cross Western Area Office on Sutter St. in San Francisco is looking for personnel for professional jobs — some would be overseas." A liberal arts degree is all that is required, she added, as the Red Cross trains on the job.

"and they have to be willing to adjust." She had some adjusting to do, having lived in a four bedroom house, "but I believe you can live with anything as long as it's temporary!"

It was July when she arrived for her job, which, being an ex-school teacher, she described as a sort of dean of girls and boys in the Far East — a counsel to other Red Cross personnel. And in that month, coming directly from the Bay Area, she said she was particularly aware of the lack of color in the countryside. "Everything was green—hundreds of shades of green, but no color." That surprise joined neatly to her other immediate awareness of the crowded conditions of the Japanese. "There is no room for masses of flowers like we see here," she noted in a country home week.

The hostesses included Mmes. Gerald Witaker, W. G. Orton, Warren L. Hanna, Henry C. Wendt, C. C. Harris, George Grimbles, and Bertha S. Vawter. And at the tea table were Mrs. M. E. Gilchrist and Mrs. Edward Morrison with Mrs. Theodore Förrer in charge of the guest book.

She noted too that the number of rice paddies is shrinking. As each new factory is built it replaces at least two paddies, she said. The average farmer has a space about the size of this

## Marian Conklin's Return

For Mrs. Harold Conklin and for the day, are all volunteers many of the Berkeley City Club members who welcomed her to the Red Cross services in Berkeley, it was like "old ley."

Among hostesses for the courtesy program tea at the new Red Cross field director for the U.S. Naval Hospital in Oakland was featured speaker, were many of the people she had worked with during her years with the Berkeley Red Cross.

In addition to Berkeley City Club president, Mrs. Henry Benedict, a co-worker with Mrs. Conklin during the war, the ladies in the receiving line, Mrs. Ralph E. Hoyt and Mrs. Walter O. St. John, and the hostesses



# Parents Visit War Amputee After Distant Mercy Flight

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Pfc. Michael Neeley, a double amputee at Oakland Naval Hospital, will have two very special callers today.

His parents were scheduled to arrive at Metropolitan Oakland International Airport, via U.S. Air Force jet from Flint, Mich.

The compassion of friends and the attention of their con-

gressman made the trip to see Michael, 20, who suffered multiple leg wounds—and subsequent amputation—in an engagement with the Viet Cong on Feb. 19 at Quang Ngai, South Viet Nam, a reality.

## 'PARISHIONERS' URGINGS

Spurred by the urgings of fellow parishioners Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth E. Neeley at St. Matthew Catholic Church in Flint, U.S. Rep. John C. Mackie made arrangements with the Air Force.

Because the Neeleys are of modest means—he is a housepainter and father of nine, and their home is in Flint's least attractive neighborhood—church members and friends raised money for the trip.

And friends will take care of the other children while the parents are in Oakland.

"I never knew I had friends like that," said the grateful father.

## 'SERIOUSLY ILL'

Adding urgency to the flight was the son's condition. The elder Neeley has been told by military officials that his son is "seriously ill."

Further urgency was created by the condition of Michael's mother.

"Mrs. Neeley received her doctor's permission Saturday to make the trip," Neeley said. Ill for an extended period, she required a blood transfusion Saturday afternoon.

Her amputee son is said not to know the extent of her illness.

## FUTURE UNCERTAIN

The father said he had no idea how long he would remain in California. Neither did he know where he and Mrs. Neeley would stay, nor how they would get

back home to Flint.

"We will worry about those bridges," he said, "when we cross them."

Young Neeley had been in Viet Nam only about a month.

Following the operation, he was brought to the Naval Hospital here.

## OLDEST OF CHILDREN

He is the oldest of the Neeley children, and had lived in Flint all his life. He played football at St. Matthew High School there, and was graduated in 1964 from Flint's Central High. He enlisted in the Marine Corps last year.

A Defense Department spokesman said arrangements were made to transport Neeley—a Korean War veteran—and

his wife to Oakland by rerouting the flight.

Normally it runs from Washington, D.C., to Portland, Ore. It made a special stop in Flint.

At first, news of the Neeleys' trip was kept quiet. But when The Flint Journal had received a number of queries about the fund raising and the special Air Force flight, the newspaper decided to go ahead with a story, a spokesman there told The Tribune.

## WHITE HOUSE UNHAPPY

The White House, according to The Journal's spokesman, is known to be unhappy that the story of the Neeleys' trip has gotten news coverage.

"They can't make a policy of flying all the parents to see all the wounded soldiers," he said, paraphrasing the White House's position.

But in the case of the Neeleys, policy was not applied, and they will see their son, Michael.

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## Bay Reunion For Parents, Wounded GI

The parents of a soldier who lost both legs in Vietnam fighting had a joyous reunion with their son last night at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Oakland.

Sped to Oakland International Airport from Flint, Mich., by an Air Force jet which changed its schedule to accommodate them, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth E. Neeley arrived in time for evening visiting hours.

"They were delighted to see their son—and he to see them," a hospital spokesman said.

The soldier, Army Private Michael Neeley, 20, suffered multiple injuries resulting in the loss of both legs in the fighting around Quang Ngai last Wednesday.

The Neeleys' trip was inspired by Sister Clare Marie, principal of St. Matthew's School in Flint, which some of the eight other Neeley children attend.

She wired the White House last week and U.S. Representative John C. Mackie (Dem.-Mich.) responded by making arrangements for the Air Force plane to pick up the parents.

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## Adm. John Corbus, Navy Hero Dies

Rear Admiral John Corbus, USN (ret.), a winner of the Navy Cross, two Letters of Commendation with ribbon, and a Navy Unit Citation, died Tuesday at the age of 58, at the Oakland Naval Hospital.

Admiral Corbus, a native of Vallejo, was a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy in 1930.

Following service aboard the battleship U.S.S. California, he attended submarine school in New London, Conn.

During World War II, he commanded the submarines U.S.S. Haddock and Bowfin. Later he joined the staff of Vice Admiral Charles A. Lockwood, commander of U.S. Submarine Force in the Pacific.

Following the war, Admiral Corbus commanded Submarine Division 81, which operated from New London. He then headed the Submarine School at New London, and this was followed by command of Submarine Squadron Seven at Pearl Harbor.

Admiral Corbus then joined the staff of Rear Admiral Charles B. Monsen, commander of the submarine fleet in the Pacific.

Prior to his retirement in 1958, he commanded the ammunition ship U.S.S. Wrangle operating in the European area.

Admiral Corbus is survived by his widow Alice with whom he made his home in Santa Rosa; a daughter, Mrs. A. R. Abel, of San Francisco; a son, William R. Corbus of Arlington, Va.; and a brother, William Corbus, of New York.

Military graveside services will be held tomorrow at 9:30 a.m. at the Golden Gate National Cemetery in San Bruno.

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## Adm. John Corbus

Funeral services will be held tomorrow (Friday) for Rear Admiral U.S.N. (retired), John Corbus, who died at Oakland Naval Hospital Tuesday after a long illness.

A native of Vallejo, Admiral Corbus was graduated from the Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1930, and spent most of his career in submarines.

Surviving are his wife, Alice Corbus, of the family home in Santa Rosa; a daughter, Olive Corbus Abel, of San Francisco; a son, William, of Virginia; a brother, William, of New York; and four grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow (Friday) at the Golden Gate National Cemetery in San Bruno.

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## A JUST CAUSE

# Courage in Sadness

"Like any other parent, I hate having any boy hurt, but I feel our cause in Viet Nam is a just one and someone's sons must go."

The sorrowful words were spoken by the father of a 20-year-old Marine who lost both legs in a land mine explosion at Quang Ngai.

Kenneth Neeley and his wife had flown from their home in Flint, Mich., yesterday to the bedside of their son, Michael, at Oakland Naval Hospital.

And when Michael smiled up from his bed at his parents it was clear that the Viet Cong mine that blew off his legs last Feb. 19 had missed his spirit by a country mile.

Michael is forced to lie on his stomach due to skin grafts on his back. The encounter with the enemy that resulted in Neeley's wounds took place one month after he arrived in Viet Nam.

"He's bearing up very well," said his father after the visit ended. Neeley, a house painter in Flint, is a veteran of World War II.

The Neeleys have eight other children, including two teen-age sons.

The parents made the trip to Oakland in a U.S. Air Force jet, a trip made possible through the joint efforts of the Neeleys' fellow parishioners at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Rep. John C. Mackie of Michigan and the U.S. Defense Department.

Though grateful to friends and officials who helped, Neeley, a quiet, proud man, wanted it clear that he was determined to see his son and would have



MR. AND MRS. KENNETH NEELEY VISIT THEIR WOUNDED SON, MICHAEL. Parents flew from Michigan to bedside of Marine who lost his legs in Viet Nam

done so as soon as possible, even if there had been no outside assistance.

But of the ready aid he received, he said: "I never knew I had friends like that."

Friends are caring for the rest of the Neeley family while the couple visits here.

A scheduled flight from Washington, D.C., to Portland, Ore.,

yesterday was rerouted via Marine Sgt. Francis Winnet, who took them to the hospital.

After the plane landed at Metropolitan Oakland International Airport at 6 p.m. yesterday, the couple was met by Michael played football at St. Matthew's High School and attended Central High in Flint before joining the Marines.

## Red Cross Post to Ann Jacobus

Ann Philip Jacobus, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jacobus of 3245 Carbrillo street, will leave San Francisco this month for the American National Red Cross Far Eastern Area

headquarters in Japan.

A graduate of San Francisco State College, Miss Jacobus has been a member of the Red Cross staff at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital since July of last year.

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She will be assigned to a military hospital installation in the Far East. Her parents hosted a buffet luncheon in her honor.

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## Red Cross Staffer Takes Japan Post



ANN JACOBUS  
a new assignment

Red Cross staff member Ann Philip Jacobus is leaving her post at Oak Knoll Hospital to tackle a new assignment in Japan.

Miss Jacobus, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jacobus of San Francisco, will report to Red Cross Far Eastern headquarters in Zama, Japan, where she will be assigned to a military hospital. There she will aid patients by providing emergency communications and counseling with personal and family problems.

A graduate of San Francisco State College, Ann has been a member of the Red Cross since last July.





Maj. Gen. Lewis Walt, a tough Marine hero of World War II and now top Marine commander in Viet Nam, gives his views on the war.

## Half-and-Half Marine Role

By TOM FLYNN  
Tribune Military Writer

The top U.S. Marine commander in Viet Nam expects his men to be one-half Marine Corps and one-half Peace Corps.

Because that's the formula that will win the war there, says Maj. Gen. Lewis W. Walt.

He wants his Marines to rout out and destroy the Viet Cong from the villages and the countryside.

But then, he wants them to lay down their weapons of war and build schools, churches, help establish village governments and do whatever else is neces-

sary to put the Vietnamese people back on their own feet.

It takes a great number of men a long time to achieve this, but it will work and, in fact, is working now, Walt told a news conference in Oakland yesterday.

The bemedaled World War II hero, who holds two Navy Crosses and a Silver Star, stopped at Oakland Naval Hospital to visit some of the Marines who fought for him in Viet Nam and are now hospitalized with wounds received there.

Gen. Walt came back from Viet Nam for Washington conferences with Gen. Wallace

Greene, Commandant of the Marine Corps, and with President Johnson.

The two-star general, who commands the Third Marine Division and the Third Marine Amphibious Force in Viet Nam, said he has no doubt that the war is now being won.

It could be won more quickly, however, with a greater number of troops.

Walt wants the additional manpower to protect the villages that his Marines clear of Viet Cong.

"First, you've got to destroy the VC stronghold on these villages . . . then you've got to

protect them while you rebuild." "The more troops we're going to have, the faster we're going to clear the country."

Walt said he believes one of the keys to lasting peace in Viet Nam is the education of the younger generation.

"The future of Viet Nam lies in its youth. Only about 20 percent of the people are receiving education now. It's going to take at least 10 years for the education job and even more to establish stable governments throughout the villages."

As part of his Marines' "civic action" program that follows the purely military operations, there

have been 41 schools rebuilt in his particular area of operations in Viet Nam.

Gen. Walt followed up his news conference by moving through the hospital wards for a brief chat with each of the bed-ridden Marines.

He pinned a Purple Heart medal on the pajama top of Marine Sgt. Lyge R. Trotter, 21, who lost both legs when he stepped on a land mine last year near Chu Lai.

"I'm real proud to be able to do this, son. There's only one place that you could have won this medal and that's on a battlefield."

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### Teen Daughters Train For JANGO

Oakland Naval Hospital is seeking teen-age daughters of officers in the armed forces to train for JANGO service.

JANGO (Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization), founded in Washington, D.C., in 1942 is a service organization that provides opportunity for girls to acquaint themselves with the nursing profession and gives them a feeling for community service.

The next class will convene April 4, and applications must be in by March 15. Application forms may be obtained by telephoning the office of the chief nurse at the hospital -- 569-8211, Ext. 246 or 245.

The girls will receive 24 hours of classroom instruction from a Navy Nurse Corps officer. This will be followed by 76 hours of supervised work in the hospital's dependent wards. Duties include bed making, giving bed baths, taking temperatures, assisting with admission and discharge of patients, running errands for patients, and aiding in many other ways to make the patients' hospital stay pleasant.

JANGOs wear attractive blue pinafores with red and white trim. They are capped upon completion of their 100 hours of training. From then on, serving as school schedules allow, the young volunteers earn pins and chevrons as they reach various milestones in their service.

On special 'JANGO' days, the girls work, have lunch together, and hear a lecture by a staff doctor.

### 'O' Wives' Club Offers Scholarship

The Officers' Wives' Club of U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, for the third consecutive year, will award two three-hundred-dollar scholarships.

Applicants for the grants must be dependent children, legally adopted children, or stepchildren of officers (Chief Warrant or above) in the Medical, Dental, Medical Service, or Chaplain Corps of the Navy. If the officer is on active duty, he must be serving in the Twelfth Naval District at the time the application is submitted. If the officer is retired or deceased, his last duty station must have been within this area.

Scholarships are to be used at academic institutions of higher learning or at accredited schools of nursing. High school graduating seniors and students now engaged in undergraduate study at the college level are eligible. Former applicants may reapply.

Selections will be made on the basis of scholarship and merit.

Application forms may be obtained by writing: Scholarship Chairman, Officers' Wives' Club c/o Administrative Officer U.S. Naval Hospital Oakland, California 94627.

Deadline for submitting applications is 15 April 1966.

The awards will be announced in May.

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A TIME TO RELAX FROM NAVY NURSING CHORES  
Cmdr. Veronica Bulshefski in her San Leandro home

### San Leandran to Head The Navy Nurse Corps

Cmdr. Veronica M. Bulshefski, chief nurse at Oakland Naval Hospital, has been named the new director of the Navy Nurse Corps. She succeeds Capt. Ruth A. Erickson, who is retiring in May.

A native of Ashley, Penn., Commander Bulshefski has been stationed in Oakland since April, 1964. Her career as a Navy nurse dates back to World War II when she enlisted as an ensign and was assigned to naval hospitals at Pearl Harbor and Guam.

She earned a bachelor's degree in nursing administration from Indiana University after the war and in 1962 became the first Navy nurse to receive a master's degree in management from the Navy's Postgraduate School at Monterey.

Commander Bulshefski, who lives in San Leandro, will be promoted to Captain in her new position.

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### New Nurse Corps Chief

WASHINGTON — Cmdr. Veronica M. Bulshefski (NC), a captain-elect, has been named Director of the Navy Nurse Corps. She will begin her four-year term on May 1 when the present Director, Capt. Ruth A. Erickson (NC), retires.

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### Ex-Bay Nurse To Head Corps

Washington

Commander Veronica M. Bulshefski, former chief of the Nursing Service at the Naval Hospital in Oakland, will become director of the Navy Nurse Corps, effective May 1, the Navy announced yesterday.

Commander Bulshefski, who will be promoted to captain when she assumes her duties, succeeds Captain Ruth A. Erickson, retired.

SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE, Wed., March 23, 1966

### Navy Nurse Chief

Washington

Commander Veronica M. Bulshefski has been named as the new director of the Navy nurse corps, succeeding Captain Ruth A. Erickson, who plans to retire May 1.

United Press



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## All Is Not Work for JANGO's



ENTERTAINING JUNIOR JANGO'S at a Christmas party at the Oakland Naval Hospital is Mrs. Harold J. Cokely, left, wife of the hospital's commanding officer. With Mrs. Cokely, from left, are Mrs. W. K. Lawlor, JANGO nursing instructor; Jo Ellis; Comdr. Veronica Bulshefski (NC), Chief of the nursing service; Nancy McAdams; Shelley Lloyd; Pamela Thompson-Bowers; Jo Anna Lbin; Rebecca Rulon; Catherine Kackley and Wanita Shannon.

*Bill Fiset*  
... Man Alive ...

The Tribune sent Jim Greaver, one of our ace reporters, to Oakland Naval Hospital on a story — the ward where Greaver spent 10 months after being wounded while a Marine on Iwo Jima, a long 21 years ago. Greaver asked if they had the old records around still. They did, and dragged his out. All that time he'd been listed as "Greavel." Records corrected . . . And you heard they have a new Italian sports car out called a "Mafia?" You open the hood and there's another hood inside.

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## Airlift Saves Baby On Ship

David Kranda, 12 weeks old, is in satisfactory condition at the Oakland Naval Hospital today after being the object of a Coast Guard mercy flight.

The infant son of Lt. (j.g.) William R. Kranda and his wife, Sandra, was becoming dangerously dehydrated from an illness as the mother and child were returning from Japan aboard the USNS Gen. H. J. Gaffey. The father is serving aboard a ship at sea.

A pediatrician at the Oakland Naval Hospital, advising the medical staff aboard the ship by radio, ordered special equipment needed to administer fluids to the infant to be flown to the ship at sea yesterday.

A Coast Guard C-130 Hercules aircraft made a rendezvous with the Gaffey about 350 miles west of the coast yesterday and successfully parachuted the equipment to the ship.

The Gaffey tied up at the Oakland Army Terminal today and the child was rushed to Oakland Naval Hospital. He is continuing to receive fluids while laboratory tests are conducted to determine the exact nature of the illness, a hospital spokesman said.

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SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

## Air Drop At Sea for Sick Baby

A San Francisco-based Coast Guard airplane parachuted medical and surgical supplies to a vessel in the Pacific yesterday for a 12-week-old infant suffering from dehydration.

A C-130 Hercules aircraft made the successful air-drop to the USNS General H. J. Gaffey after doctors at Oak Knoll Hospital in Oakland had reported the child's condition to the Coast Guard. The vessel is expected to arrive here at 4 a.m. today.

# The Morning News

EAST BAY'S QUALITY NEWSPAPER

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## San Leandro Resident To Command United States Navy Nurses Corps

By JOSEPHINE ROBERTS  
"A nursing career is most interesting and very challenging", declares a slim, fair-haired and extremely feminine woman who has been appointed to the position of Director of the U. S. Navy Nurse Corps.

Capt. Veronica Bulshefski will be in charge of all nursing activities for all medical facilities of the United States Navy. The scope of her responsibilities include all continental United States and overseas installations.

A San Leandro resident for some time, Veronica Bulshefski has been promoted from commander to captain and now she is the highest rated nurse in the United States Navy Nurse Corps.

Attached to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Washington, D. C., the new director will co-ordinate all navy nursing activities, she will visit facilities to evaluate nursing service and patient care. The United States Navy Surgeon General is Admiral Robert Brown.

Capt. Bulshefski will have under her command the nursing service and patient care in 26 large naval hospitals of 300 beds or more as well as a wide variety of station hospitals and naval dispensaries. Nursing service and patient care aboard the famed hospital ship, USS Repose will be under the captain's command. Twenty-nine navy nurses are attached to the hospital ship which is now in Viet Nam waters.

Capt. Bulshefski has been a navy nurse for 20 years. She served at both Pearl Harbor and Guam. She graduated from the University of Pennsylvania as a registered nurse and received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing Administration from Indiana University. She obtained her Master of Science in Management from the U. S. Naval Post Graduate School, Monterey, California.

The new director began her naval nurse career as a charge nurse on the floor. She served in this type of position for seven or eight years. Step by step she rose to supervisor and continued her career in the administrative field of nursing.

A native of Ashley, Penn., Capt. Bulshefski is the daughter of the late George and Rose (Matthews) Bulshefski. Her four older sisters are married and live in widely separated areas of the United States. The family is of Lithuanian ancestry.

Capt. Veronica Bulshefski has a number of hobbies. She reads a great deal about almost everything as she is deeply interested in people and their lives, in everything that concerns the advancement of humanity toward a better world.

She paints and is especially attracted to water color and oils. Capt. Bulshefski plays golf but has little time for the sport. She is interested in creative writing and hopes to spend a great deal of time developing that talent after she retires from the Navy Nurse Corps.

Capt. Bulshefski, who likes her friends to call her "Ronnie", is an excellent house keeper. Her Dowling Street apartment was beautifully furnished, the decor establishes a quiet, friendly and relaxing atmosphere, an index to the character of a charming woman, intelligent and capable, dedicated to the nursing profession and its advancement.



CAPT. VERONICA BULSHEFSKI

*Women's Realm*  
Josephine Roberts  
Editor

## Social Circle:

By ROBIN ORR  
Tribune Society Editor

TO WASHINGTON and back again . . . Rear Admiral and Mrs. Harold Jay Cokely of Oakland Naval Hospital flew to Washington today for a round of activities. Meanwhile, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent L. Gingerist (she's the former Mrs. Otis O. Hanson of Piedmont) flew here from their home outside Washington, D.C.

The Gingerists were due to arrive today after a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Kenneth D. Rich (Sally Hanson) in Los Angeles.

In Northern California they will visit with Mrs. Gingerist's other daughter, Suzie, her husband, Clinton Peterson, and brand new daughter, Kristin Ann (born April 3), in Suisun City.

## World of Women

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They will stay until after the April 30 wedding of her nephew, William Flint, to Kathleen Blocker, at the Treasure Island Chapel.

In Washington, Admiral Cokely will attend the Navy Surgeon General's conference for commanding officers of all naval hospitals.

Tomorrow evening the Cokelys will attend a reception honoring Capt. Veronica Bulshefski, who left Oak Knoll only two weeks ago to report to her new duties as director of the Navy Nurse Corps, and Capt. Ruth Erickson, who is retiring from the director's post. The reception will be held at the Officers Club at the National Naval Medical Center at Bethesda, Md.

Also on the Cokelys' agenda in the nation's capital is the Surgeon General's cocktail party next Wednesday and a Sunday brunch to be given by Capt. and Mrs. F. G. Ulen at their Washington apartment. Mrs. Ulen is Mrs. Cokely's sister.

During their stay in Washington, the Cokelys will be houseguests of Vice Adm. and Mrs. W. F. Raborn in McLean, Va. Admiral Raborn is director of the Central Intelligence Agency.



# The Navy's New Top Nurse

By NANCY SHARP

It was less than two weeks ago when the telephone rang at Oak Knoll Hospital with the U.S. Surgeon General on the line. And today Commander Veronica M. Bulshefski is all packed and ready to go.

Thursday was her last day as chief nurse at the Oakland Naval medical facility, and just one short month from now she'll be ensconced in her new office in Washington D.C. as director of the Navy Nurse Corps.

"THAT'S JUST the way it goes in the military," explained the occupational therapy specialist, whose voice is soft and whose manner is quiet and graceful. She wore her crisp white uniform for the interview at her hospital office.

She admitted that it would be nice not always to have to move "in such a hurry," but by now she's used to it.

Her 25 years in the Navy have taken her to New York (Brooklyn), to Guam, Hawaii, Maryland (Bethesda), Florida (both Pensacola and Jacksonville), South Carolina (Buford) and to the Great Lakes area.

In between times she has studied at the University of Indiana, where she earned a bachelor's degree in nursing administration, and at the Navy Postgraduate School, Monterey, where she became the first Navy nurse to receive an M.S. degree in management.

"NURSING GETS more glamorous and exciting all the time," she said. "The demands, challenges and opportunities are constantly increasing."

It was during her years on the campus at the University of Pennsylvania, in her home state, that Commander Bulshefski decided to join the Navy. She acted on the advice of a former



COMMANDER VERONICA BULSHEFSKI  
... May 1 she'll be Navy Nurse Corps director

Navy man, a dentist she was serving as student nurse.

Her first assignments — Hawaii and Guam — were during World War II. But the danger never concerned her. Just like her friends now in Viet Nam, she said, "you are just too occupied with doing a job to consider the circumstances."

AT OAK KNOLL, where she is in charge of 114 Nurse Corps officers, 30 civilian nurses and 60 vocational nurses, Commander Bulshefski is known as an administrator who is deeply interested in the patients.

"That is what nursing is all about," she said during the morning interview. "Every administrative duty is aimed at better patient care."

"If a head nurse did not ever see patients, it would be like the president of a motor company never seeing a car."

She spends about two hours a day on her rounds in the wards and she keeps informed on all patients requiring special nursing care. The rest of her time is devoted to conferring with nursing supervisors and counseling young nurses.

Cmdr. Bulshefski is determined to continue her rounds in her new job (in which, incidentally, she will be Capt. Bulshefski), visiting and inspecting hospitals nationwide.

ASSISTED BY eight staff nurses, she also will set policy for the 2,000-member corps and coordinate its work with that of other Navy medical services.

During her career she has, only naturally, developed a great loyalty to the Navy.

"It's just like one big family," she said.

## World of Women

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## Saigon Nurse Returns With Praise for GIs

Three days ago Maxine Wilson was washing the blood from the faces of American servicemen in Saigon.

Today she's back home with her children and grandchildren, full of praise for the American soldier and reluctant to talk about herself.

Mrs. Wilson, a 46-year-old widow, returned to the Eastbay Saturday afternoon. In 13 hours flying time her environment changed from the suffering, fear and gunpowder of Viet Nam to the comparative serenity of Oakland.

### HORROR REMAINS

But the horror is still very fresh in her mind. "Only three days ago I was washing the blood from their faces and suturing wounds," Mrs. Wilson said. That was after the bombing of the Victoria Hotel, where hundreds of U.S. servicemen were asleep.

For almost 12 months she was stationed in the Navy Station Hospital on Tran Hung Dau Street in Saigon and took care of the wounded who were brought in from the streets and the battlefields alike.

"It was a tremendous experience. The boys are so grateful for every little bit of attention. It made you proud to be an American—and I would do it again," she says.

Talking about the Viet Cong and their ever-present threats of violence she said, "You try not to think about it. Of course you can't go out at night..."

### BACK TO WORK

After a two-week leave, Mrs. Wilson will go back to her duties as a general nurse at the



MRS. MAXINE WILSON

Oakland Naval Hospital, where she volunteered for the Viet Nam assignment a little over a year ago.

When she shipped out for Saigon, she had been working at the Oakland Hospital as a Civil Service nurse for six years. Before that she worked for one year at Providence Hospital, her alma mater.

She will stay with one of her sons, Michael, his wife Mary and their four little girls, who live at 993 Douglas Drive in San Leandro.

Family reunion festivities were held Saturday afternoon—after her arrival at Travis Air Force Base—in the home of another son, Stephen, who lives with his wife and children at 4317 Webster St. in Oakland. Two daughters and a sister from other parts of California joined in the "Welcome Home" party.

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## Marine 'Boot' Says D.I. Injured Him

By TOM FLYNN  
Tribune Military Writer

A young Marine Corps recruit is hospitalized in Oakland today with serious injuries suffered when he was allegedly kicked in the kidneys by a drill instructor.

Authorities at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego said the instructor—a D.I. to Marines—has been relieved of duty pending an investigation into the maltreatment charge. The drill instructor was not identified.

The recruit, Robert F. Pierce Jr., 23, of Onda, S.D., was brought to Oakland Naval Hospital yesterday suffering from kidney failure.

A formal investigation of the charge was ordered today by Lt. Col. P. H. Simpson, commanding officer of the Third Recruit Training Battalion.

The investigation is expected to take a week or more and the drill instructor's identity will not be made known until it is completed and a determination is made whether there is sufficient evidence to warrant a court martial.

A Marine Corps spokesman emphasized that the investigation "in no way means the allegations are true."

Pierce, the son of a South Dakota rancher, was listed in serious condition and hospital authorities said he had to be placed on an artificial kidney machine.

Pierce had been in boot camp less than a week when the alleged brutality took place.

He said he was unable to continue in certain exercises his platoon was performing and

then the drill instructor kicked him.

A Marine spokesman said Pierce reported to the Recruit depot sick bay March 24 and was transferred first to San Diego Naval Hospital and then to Oakland where an artificial kidney machine was available.

Pierce's father flew out to California to be with his son. He was reported to be leaving for home today.

A member of the family contacted at the recruit's home said the youngster joined the Marine Corps on March 16 and reported to San Diego on March 21.

He wrote home on the day that he arrived at boot camp.

"It was a pretty short note. About all he said, was that everything was fine," the family reported.

The incident took place almost 10 years to the day that another Marine Corps drill instructor, S. Sgt. Matthew C. McKeon, marched his recruit platoon into a tidal creek at the other Marine Corps recruit depot at Parris Island, S.C., and six men were drowned.

McKeon was given a bad conduct discharge which was later canceled and the drill instructor was allowed to stay in the Marine Corps as a private.

The Navy Department said at the time that "for him... the real punishment will always be the memory of 'Ribbon Creek' where the six 'boots' died on April 8, 1956."

McKeon was discharged three years later because of a physical disability.

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## Follows Family Footsteps



THE THIRD DAUGHTER of Capt. and Mrs. David B. Rulon to receive a JANGO cap and pin is 15-year-old Rebecca Rulon for her service at Oakland Naval Hospital. Her 21-year-old sister Connie earned her cap in Key West, Fla. and an 18-year-old sister Mary was made JANGO-of-the-Year at Oak Knoll in 1956. The sisters all plan to be nurses as their mother had been. Cmdr. Veronica Bulshefski, right, soon to be the Navy Corps Director, did the honors.

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## Medical Air Drop For Sick Baby

A big Coast Guard C-130 Hercules plane successfully parachuted medical supplies for a sick baby to the troop transport USNS Gen. H. J. Gaffey, about 300 miles at sea.

Medical equipment necessary for the administration of fluids to a 12-week-old baby was flown to the ship on orders of a pediatrician from Oakland Naval Hospital, the Coast Guard said.

The infant is suffering from dehydration according to a spokesman for the Military Sea Transport Service, which operates the ship.

The Gaffey is due to arrive at the Oakland MST terminal at 9 a.m. tomorrow.

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## Copter Picks Ill Seaman Off Ship at Sea

A young Navy seaman aboard a San Francisco-bound ship was taken aboard a Coast Guard helicopter 23 miles out to sea today and flown to Oakland Naval Hospital for surgery on a ruptured appendix.

The rescue, which was delayed from yesterday because of rough seas, took place aboard the USS George Eastman, a Liberty ship, at daybreak.

Radioman John D. Green, 18, of Dallas, Tex., was met by a team of doctors at the Oakland hospital. They planned surgery following a thorough examination. A hospital spokesman said Green's condition was good.

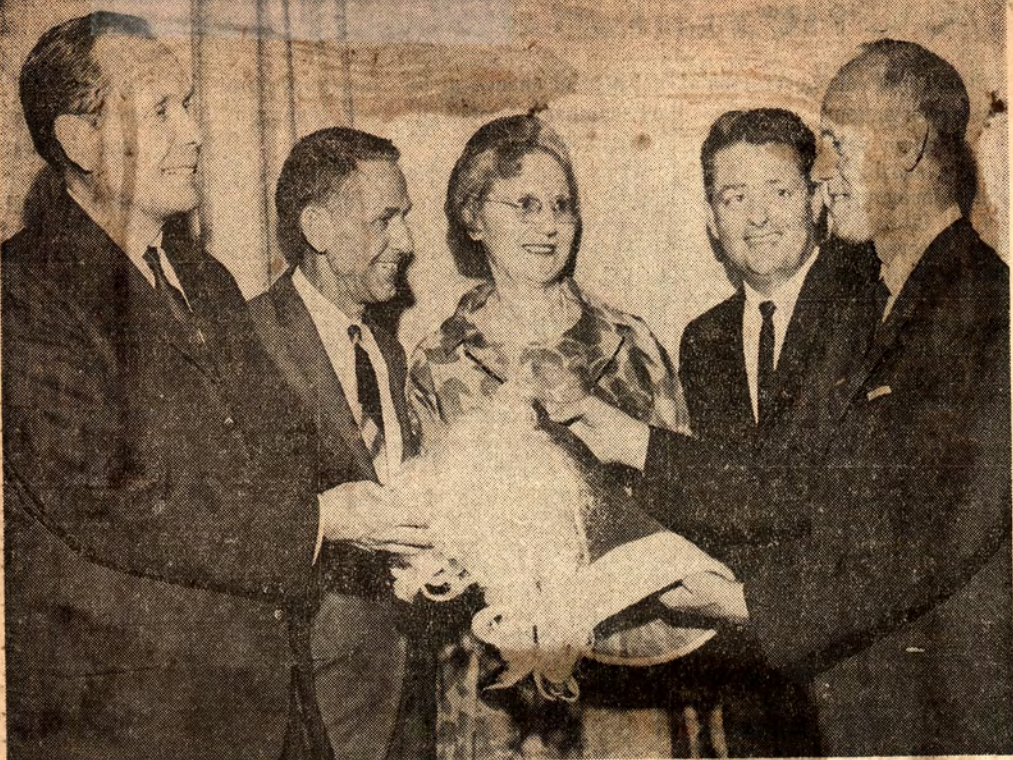
Navy officials said Green became ill on a voyage from Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, to San Francisco.

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Hayward

## Girl Honored

A Canyon High School Sophomore, Rebecca Rulon, has received her Jango cap and pin at Oakland Naval Hospital for giving 158 hours service to the hospital's dependent wards during the past eight months. Jango (Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization) is a nationwide service organization for teenage daughters of commissioned officers of the Armed Forces.





ALLAN STRUTZ (R) IS PRESIDENT OF VETERANS HOSPITALS YULE COMMITTEE. With officers (from left) Bryant King, John Groom, Mary Valle, Larry Rodriggs

## Vets Yule Gift Fund Unit Elects

Allan Strutz is the new president of the Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee, which for 42 years has coordinated the program to provide decorations, entertainment and gifts for hospitalized veterans and servicemen in Alameda county.

Miss Mary Valle was re-elected as secretary-treasurer. Vice presidents named were John Groom and Larry Rodriggs.

Directors re-elected are Felix Chialvo, Paul Manolis, Joseph Tofanelli and Mrs. John Young. Mrs. Raymond Benbow is a newly elected director.

Bryant E. King, retiring president, paid tribute to the volunteers who have supported the work of the committee and emphasized the continuing need.

The financial report showed \$22,873.29 available for the Christmas program last year. Expenditures totalled \$16,497.07, leaving a balance of \$6,376.22 with which to start the 43rd campaign this fall.

# Silent Red Cross Wagons

## Thin Line Of Driver Volunteers

By Carolyn Anspacher

In the big draughty garage back of 1625 Van Ness avenue stand more than a dozen big station wagons and buses. They should be in use between 15 and 18 hours a day, every day of every week, but they're not.

The San Francisco region of the American National Red Cross's Golden Gate chapter has only a handful of volunteer drivers.

In an office off the garage, telephones ring at least 100 times a day, each caller asking Red Cross transportation for individuals or groups—for the sick, for the aged and infirm, for the blind, for the military, for handicapped children.

The requests are endless and only a few can be answered because the Red Cross transportation division is down to only one or two drivers a day.

### PATIENTS

"The situation is worse than anyone would believe," said Mrs. Ernest Bernstein, the transportation division's volunteer chairman. "We can do only a fraction of the job we're asked to do."

The Army expects the Red



Mrs. Ernest Bernstein, right, assisted Grace Kemp into Red Cross car driven by volunteer Yvonne Sully

Cross to take Letterman General Hospital patients for little excursions. The Navy expects the Red Cross to chauffeur its Oak Knoll Hospital patients. Neither has thought to provide military drivers for the Red Cross wagons and buses during these outings.

Hospitals, throughout the city expect the Red Cross to give first transportation priority to eyes and pituitary glands, newly removed from the dead and awaiting transplantation to the living.

### CANCER

The American Cancer Society expects the Red Cross to give transportation to many needy patients undergoing radiation therapy at the city's various hospitals.

And the hospitals, too, expect the Red Cross to provide door-to-door service for the lame, halt and blind they serve.

"They all expect," Mrs. Bernstein said, "and there are no drivers to answer the demands of more than two dozen public and private agencies."

The few faithful on whom the Red Cross can depend are a rather special lot. There is the 23-year-old ex-Marine who works all night as a laboratory technician and volunteers to drive four to six

hours, two to three days a week.

There is the 28-year-old postal clerk now awaiting a kidney transplant operation who comes in three days a week to drive one of the big buses.

There is the retired businessman in his mid-50s who, although plagued by poor health, gives four to six hours a day, sometimes as driver, sometimes as phone dispatcher.

Yvonne Sully, wife of Police Lieutenant George Sully, is typical of the women volunteers.

"I reared four kids," she

said, "and when I got to be a grandmother I decided I could do something with my life. I didn't quite know what to do because I have no special skills, so I volunteered here."

"Every moment has been rewarding and I've not met one person I haven't liked and admired."

Mrs. Sully and her fellow volunteers, both men and women, approach their job with a kind of religious fervor.

"It's because we're needed so much," one man said, "and it's because there are so few of us. We're not the

We don't put on fashion shows or balls but we work like hell and the job we do is appreciated."

Just how much it is appreciated was perhaps best expressed by Henry Mitchell, blind, crippled and now, with a broken foot in a cast.

Mitchell, who is given transportation from his Hunters Point home to the University of California Medical Center for therapy, said he worries all the time about the Red Cross volunteer drivers.

"I sure wish I could go down to that garage and wipe the cars," he said, struggling up the steps to the waiting

station wagon. "You folks have done so much for me and I don't seem to do anything but take."

And then there was Mrs. Grace Kemp, the widow of an Army officer who, five times each week is taken in a wheelchair to Letterman General Hospital for treatment of serious burns.

"I am grateful for such friends," she said.

Needed urgently and immediately are more such friends, men and women between the ages of 17 and 65, who are both competent drivers and responsible citizens.

## Marine Victim Of 'Brutality' on Critical List

A Marine recruit allegedly kicked in the kidneys by his drill instructor was placed on the critical list yesterday at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland.

Private Robert F. Pierce, 23, of Onida, S.D., developed blood poisoning while being treated with an artificial kidney, doctors said.

Pierce was injured at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego and was first treated there on March 24.

Marine Corps spokesmen said the drill instructor, whose name they refused to reveal, has been relieved of duty pending a pre-trial investigation of charges against him.

## Injured Marine in Serious Condition

Marine Pvt. Robert F. Pierce Jr., who allegedly was kicked by a drill instructor while undergoing recruit training in San Diego, remains in serious condition today in Oakland Naval Hospital.

The drill instructor, whose identity was not made known, has been relieved of duty pending the outcome of an investigation.

## Daily Review Hayward

### Girl Honored

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## Vets Then And Now At Hospital

By JIM GREAYER

In some ways, it was like watching the remake of an old movie. The actors were different, but the props and the action were the same.

But for the bit players, like myself and Marine Pfc. John Moreno of Vallejo, the program moved at a much different pace.

I got mine on the volcanic rocks near the center of Iwo Jima on March 3, 1945. A single bullet from a sniper's rifle hit me like a sledgehammer, passing through both arms and the center of my back.

It took two hours for the stretcher bearers to get me to a field hospital.

And it was a month before I reached Oakland Naval Hospital — Oak Knoll in those days — by which time my admittance tag had such entries after Iwo Jima as USS Samaritan (hospital ship), Guam Naval Hospital and Alca Heights Naval Hospital, Hawaii.

Moreno, 19, was a new member of a squad patrolling for Viet Cong near Da Nang on Feb. 6, when his squad leader waved him and fellow Marines on over a suspicious rise in the terrain.

It was a land mine, which killed one man and injured three — Moreno in the thigh, stomach and face.

This is where the most dramatic change in the script took place.

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# Fast Travel, Technology Comfort Wounded Vets

## But Not All Different at 'Oak Knoll'

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matic change in the script took place.

Within eight minutes, a helicopter crew had picked him up. Within 20 minutes he was in surgery in a field hospital in Da Nang.

By Feb. 11, just five days after he had been shot, Moreno was recuperating in the same hospital, and in the same ward where I had been 20 years before.

A corpsman in the next bed, Calvin Knox, 20, of Chicago, made it from Viet Nam to Oakland in just 48 hours by jet.

I visited the Oakland Naval Hospital recently to see what changes had been made in the place where I spent 10 months recovering from that gunshot wound.

This incredibly fast return of the wounded from the field of battle was the most notable difference between then and now.

Things aren't as crowded at the hospital today. There were 6,000 patients then, compared to 700 now.

The military has more hospitals now — many of them specializing in single fields — and of course a smaller conflict is under way.

The beds, nurses, linen and nursing stations look the same, but there are many subtle improvements in the standard of care being given at the Naval Hospital now.

Bedsore used to be the curse of those of us who had to spend long periods flat on our backs. I had a big, raw one the size of a silver dollar at the base of my spine.

Today, bedsore are practically eliminated. When they threaten to develop, patients can be placed in a new device, designed at the hospital, called a circle electric bed.

With this bed, nurses can turn their patients — chiefly burn victims — over on their stomachs every few hours to stop the bedsore before they begin.

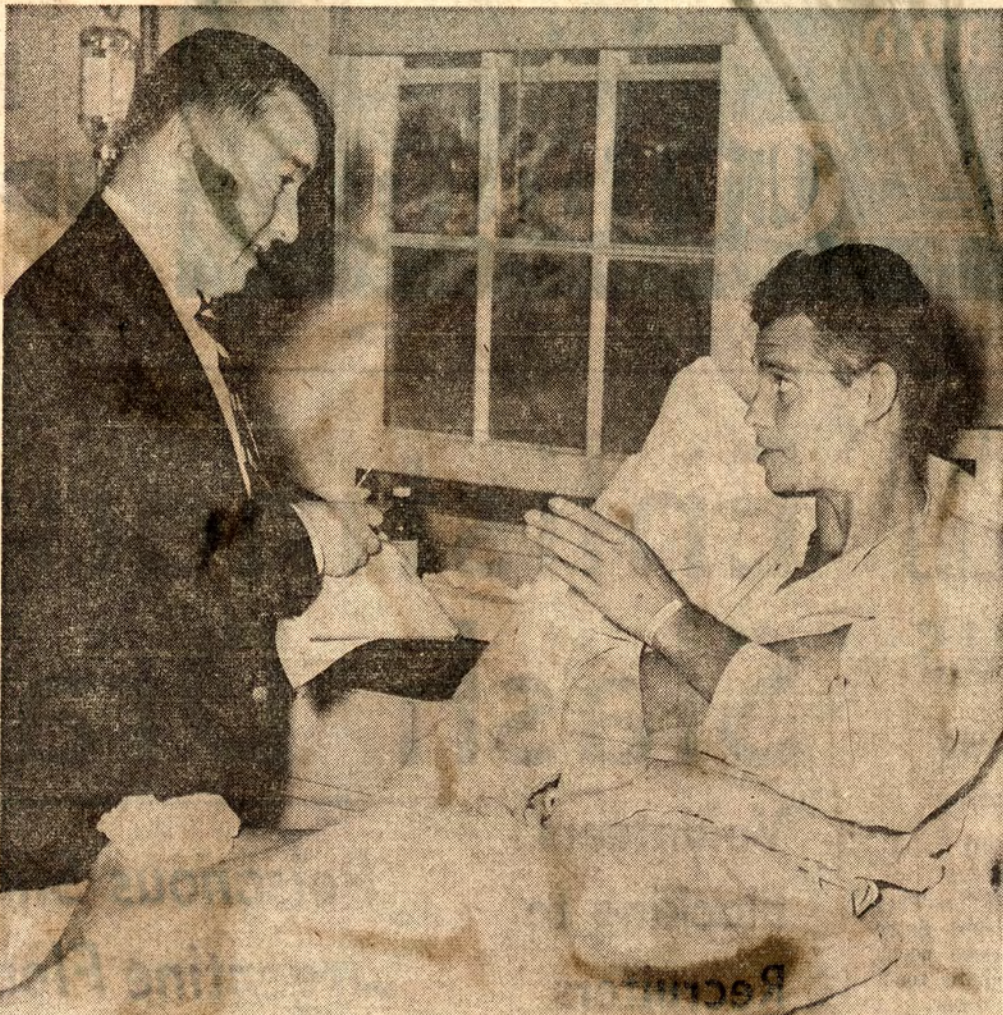
A new special care unit has been installed at the hospital where 20 seriously injured patients can be watched 24 hours a day.

Special equipment built right into the walls provides oxygen, suction and electric shock for heart arrest.

Down in neurosurgery, they showed me a new hydraulic lift with which a nurse or attendant can pick up a patient and carry him anywhere in the ward.

The biggest advance in neurosurgery, the doctor in charge said, is that plastic plates have been substituted for metal to cover head wounds.

With the plastic, the patient suffers none of the discomfort from heat and cold which the metal plates used to cause.



TRIBUNE REPORTER JIM GREAYER COMPARES WARS WITH PFC. JOHN MORENO  
 Veteran finds Oakland Naval Hospital changed from World War II

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## Marine Hurt at Training Center Is 'Satisfactory'

A Marine recruit allegedly kicked in the kidneys by his drill instructor was reported to be in satisfactory condition yesterday at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland.

Private Robert F. Pierce Jr., 23, of Onida, S.D., had been placed on the critical list Tuesday when he developed blood poisoning.

Pierce was injured at Marine Corps Recruit training center in San Diego and admitted to the hospital there on March 24 with kidney failure. He was later transferred to the Oakland hospital. The name of his drill instructor has been withheld pending a full investigation of the incident.

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so 23, pleaded not guilty through his chief counsel, Marine Capt. Robert B. Baker. Conviction on all charges could carry a maximum sentence of seven years hard labor, loss of pay and allowances, reduction in rank and dishonorable discharge.

Pierce's lengthy testimony led off the government case. It was in the form of a deposition, read to the six court members (jurors) headed by Col. Bernard M. Borgess.

It was taken at the Oakland Naval Hospital, where Pierce is still a patient, now ambulatory but restricted to his ward and under "constant" intravenous infusion of antibiotics.

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 Part I—SAT., APRIL 16, 1966

## Marine Corps Orders Trial for Instructor

Exclusive to The Times from  
 a Staff Writer

SAN DIEGO—A 23-year-old marine drill instructor will be court-martialed on charges of beating a recruit who received a critical kidney injury, the Marine Corps announced Friday.

Sgt. Russell P. Armstrong, a DI at the Marine Corps Recruit Training Depot here since last Oct. 30, has been ordered to stand trial on three counts of maltreatment and one count of assault.

Maj. E. W. Schultze, base informational services officer, said Armstrong is accused of striking Pvt. Robert F. Pierce Jr., 23, of Onida, S.D., in the stomach with his fist, stepping on his hand and kicking him on the leg.

### Three Days in Corps

The beating allegedly occurred March 24 after Pierce failed to complete a training exercise. The alleged attack occurred three days after Pierce, who joined the Marine Corps March 16, reported for duty at the training center.

Pierce was listed in critical condition at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Oakland. He is being treated with an artificial kidney.

Navy Capt. Sidney Arje, the hospital's executive officer, said Pierce was suffering from "acute kidney failure," and was making slow but steady progress toward recovery.

Schultze said a general court-martial was ordered for Armstrong by Maj. Gen. B. A. Hochmuth, commanding general of the training depot on the basis of a pre-trial investigation.

### Penalties Possible

If convicted on all counts, Armstrong could receive a maximum penalty of seven years in prison at hard labor, forfeiture of all pay and a dishonorable discharge.

Armstrong joined the marines in August, 1961. He has been relieved of duty but is not in confinement. No trial date has been set.

Schultze declined to give additional information on Armstrong and the case at the request of the sergeant's attorney, Marine Capt. R. A. Baker.

## Doctor Backs Marine Drill Instructor at Trial

Says Recruit's Kidney Failure Was Caused  
 by Seldom-Diagnosed 'Exercise Syndrome'

BY JULIAN HARTT  
 Times Staff Writer

SAN DIEGO—A defense witness Wednesday in the general court-martial of Drill Sgt. Russell P. Armstrong blamed the near-fatal kidney failure of a Marine recruit not on intentional maltreatment, but on an esoteric, seldom-diagnosed military exercise syndrome.

Lt. Stewart A. Kleit, a Navy doctor said that Pvt. Robert F. Pierce Jr. collapsed because of a "squat jump" or "squat thrust syndrome," to which he said uncounted thousands

are subjected when over-exercised.

Kleit, who runs the Navy's West Coast artificial kidney machine at Oakland Naval Hospital, where Pierce was flown after his collapse and still remains, said "squat jumps" or "thrusts" are exercises in which "new boots" are required to squat, then stretch out into a push-up position, and then reverse the motions to a position of attention.

It was during an extended period of this exercise that Pierce admittedly failed to keep up with his platoon.

The government charges that Armstrong punched him in the abdomen to force him to "get with the program." The defense denies any maltreatment.

### Testimony Differs

Dr. Kleit's testimony contrasted with earlier defense testimony by another Navy doctor, Lt. Comdr. Charles Sargent, who was the first doctor to see Pierce after what the government charges was a two-day "intentional" campaign of mistreatment by Sgt. Armstrong.

Sargent testified that he had "no doubt" Pierce had suffered an abdominal blow that "shocked" his kidney into failure.

Sargent added, however, that he "couldn't truthfully state" that any blow to the abdomen was the full cause of Pierce's illness.

The trial before a six-officer court continues today. Armstrong is expected to take the stand in his own defense. *A. A. Limney*



Marine Drill  
Instructor  
To Face TrialBy TOM FLYNN  
Tribune Military Writer

A U.S. Marine Corps drill instructor accused of kicking a recruit so badly he had to be hospitalized today was charged with assault and maltreatment and ordered to face a general court-martial.

The drill instructor was identified as Sgt. Russell P. Armstrong, 23, who joined the Marine Corps in 1961 and has served at the San Diego recruit depot since last October.

Armstrong is charged with beating Pvt. Robert F. Pierce Jr., 23, of Onida, S.D. Pierce is considered in critical condition but slowly recovering in Oakland Naval Hospital.

Marine Corps spokesmen in San Diego said Armstrong has been charged with three counts of maltreatment and one of assault under terms of the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

He is accused of having punched Pierce in the stomach, stepped on his hand and kicked him in the leg.

The young recruit was hospitalized with a kidney failure.

The court-martial was ordered by Maj. Gen. B. A. Hochmuth, commanding general of the depot, after a preliminary investigation during which time the drill instructor's identity was not released.

The date for the court-martial has not yet been set.

If convicted, Armstrong could receive a maximum sentence of seven years imprisonment at hard labor, forfeiture of all pay and rank, and dishonorable discharge.

The Marine Corps said Armstrong, who is not being held in custody, will be defended by Capt. R. B. Baker, a Marine officer and qualified attorney.

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## Marine DIs Feel the Heat Again

By BILL BOLDENWECK

Examiner Staff Writer

SAN DIEGO — A cloud the size of a man's kidney hangs over the sunny asphalt parade ground at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot here.

Ten years after six recruits drowned in the tidal swamps at Parris Island, South Carolina, another recruit is in the Naval Hospital at Oakland, claiming mistreatment by his drill instructor and suffering a damaged kidney.

Again the nationwide spotlight has fallen on Marine training methods, and again drill instructors are glancing over their shoulders.

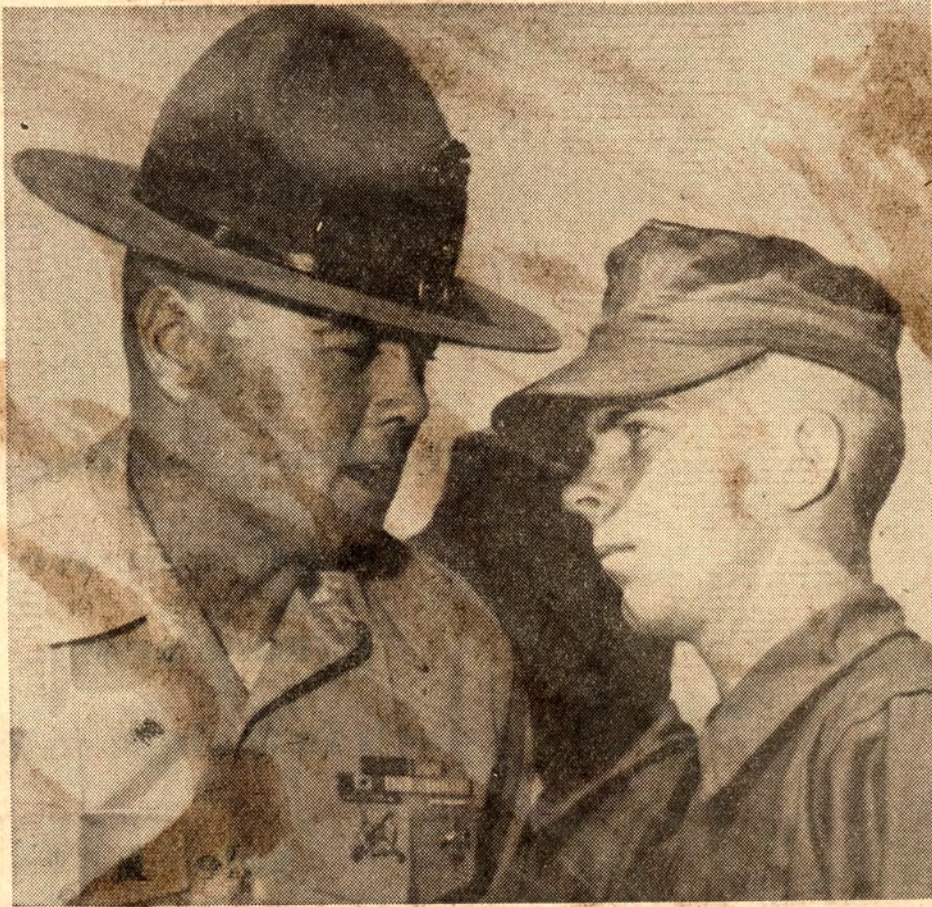
But on the "grinder," where the swinging monotony of shouted cadence blends with the shriek of jets overhead, the drill instructors are hopeful.

"IT WON'T BE the same as Ribbon Creek, even if that kid dies," said a field-hatted DI. "I think the public realizes that it has to be hard if it's going to mean anything. And remember, there's a war on. There wasn't in 1956."

Since March 24, when Private Robert F. Pierce Jr., 23, of Onida, South Dakota, was carried to the post hospital, the DIs have been worried.

"This could blow up into a Congressional thing if enough mothers write their Congressman," said a DI as he peered appraisingly at another's platoon swinging by in formation.

"I'M NOT SO worried about that," said his assistant,



SSgt. Raymond C. Wong, senior drill instructor at the San Diego Marine Recruit Depot, explains recruit training to Pvt. Gary D. Leonis of Hayward.

"I'm worried about his DI. He's out on the limb like all of us, and it broke off, that's all. His people probably weren't coming along, and he just pushed them too hard, that's all."

The accused DI is Sergeant Russell P. Armstrong, 23, a Marine for almost five years

and a drill instructor since last October.

After a preliminary investigation of Pvt. Pierce's charges and a formal pre-trial investigation, the Corps has decided to try Sgt. Armstrong on three charges of maltreatment and one of assault.

DATE OF THE General Courtmartial has not been set but the charges will include striking Pierce in the stomach, stepping on his hands, and kicking him in the leg.

Pierce was on the critical list and being treated by an artificial kidney machine at Oak Knoll for several weeks,

but is now on the road to recovery and probably a return to duty. He has declined to talk with reporters.

But what would make a carefully selected, carefully trained drill instructor, a proud member of a proud group, jeopardize his career this way?

"Probably just lost his temper," another DI theorized. "The pressure builds up and you get near-snapping. Sometimes one does."

DIs find the pressure has increased since last September, when the needs created by the war in Vietnam cut the training cycle from 11 weeks to eight.

"YOU GET EIGHT weeks to turn a Marine out of those babies they send you," the DI spat. "When you see them come in, it makes you sick. They never had to take an order, they never had to walk farther than the family garage, and a lot have never slept anywhere except in their own little bed."

"And in eight weeks you have to make a man of them. Hell, they can't even walk in regular shoes. That's why we have to give them tennis shoes."

Not all are as antagonistic, but the basic complaint is the same. Severe officer supervision, which helps prevent physical abuse, also creates tension for the DI. Every time a recruit fouls up, the DI hears about it, not the recruit.

AFTER EIGHT weeks, each DI is expected to deliver an 84 man finished package to graduation ceremonies. Anything any of them lack reflects on his record. And an honor platoon helps burnish that record. In a highly competitive situation, the urge to push a little harder is always there.

"Not only do you lean on them all day, when you get home at night you're so tired and wrung out you're hell to get along with," gunnery Sergeant Bill Hunt, a veteran DI relates.

"That's why there are so many divorces around here. When you come on at 5 a.m. and stick with them until 8 p.m. and you act like a bear when you get home, it takes a pretty good woman to stick with you."

YET THEY STAY. After a five man screening team of senior drill instructors, training officers, and a psychiatrist looks them over, and after the tough five weeks of training, they've turned out a pretty stable group.

And there's a big incentive.

"These days you may find yourself back in Vietnam any time," says Staff Sgt. Lawrence Lookinbill, "and these people may be the ones you'll have to depend on. And if they're no good, you stand just that much more chance of being dead."

(In tomorrow's Examiner: Boot Camp.)

Los Angeles Times  
Court-Martial of  
Marine Under WayBY JULIAN HARTT  
Times Staff Writer

SAN DIEGO—The general court-martial of Marine Sgt. Russell P. Armstrong opened Tuesday with prosecution charges that the drill instructor singled out an overweight recruit for intentional maltreatment that sent the latter to a hospital with "grievous" internal injuries.

Lt. Col. Robert E. Eastman, the trial counsel or prosecutor, said in his opening statement that Armstrong pursued a course of "consistent and persistent maltreatment" of Pvt. Robert F. Pierce Jr., 200-pound enlistee from Onida, S.D.

## Failed at Exercises

Pierce, 23, a farmer with five years of college attendance, arrived at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot here early March 22. By the evening of March 24 he was in the Naval Hospital with a critical kidney injury.

In the three-day span, the government charges, Armstrong struck Pierce in the stomach with his fist, stepped on his hands and kicked him on the leg because he failed to perform physical exercises satisfactorily.

As the trial opened, Armstrong, al-

comes directly from several dances at the San Francisco Longshoremen's Hall.

Rebecca Rulon of Canyon High is a JANGO. In fact, she comes from a long line of JANGOS. In case you're wondering, JANGO stands for Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization, and it's for teenage daughters of commissioned officers of the Armed forces. Rebecca received her JANGO cap and pin at Oakland Naval Hospital for giving 158 hours of service to hospital patients during the past eight months. Her two older sisters, Connie, 21, and Mary, 18, were JANGOS before her, and both are now studying nursing, which Rebecca plans, too.

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Age!

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SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLEOcean Airlift  
For Sick Sailor

An 18-year-old sailor suffering from appendicitis was airlifted today from a Navy research vessel in the Pacific ocean by a Coast Guard helicopter.

Radioman John D. Green was taken off the USS George Eastman 23 miles from here at 6:19 a.m. and four hours later doctors at the Oakland Naval Hospital reported his appendix had been removed and his condition was satisfactory.

## World of Women

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JO CAROL Ellis, daughter of Lt. and Mrs. Glen M. Ellis of Oakland, has been named "JANGO (Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization) of the year" for her 792 hours' service at Oakland Naval Hospital. Jo Carol is a humanities major at Chabot College.



## Ex-Oakland Nurse Heads Navy Corps

Capt. Veronica M. Bulsheski, former chief nurse at Oakland Naval Hospital, has been sworn in as director of the Navy Nurse Corps.

Captain Bulsheski, who was promoted to her new assignment last month, was sworn in by Vice Adm. Robert M. Brown, Navy surgeon general, in ceremonies in Washington, D.C.

A native of Ashly, Pa., Captain Bulsheski had been stationed in Oakland the past year.

Her career as Navy nurse dates to World War II when she enlisted as an ensign and was assigned to naval hospitals at Pearl Harbor and Guam.

She earned a degree in nursing administration from Indiana University after the war and in

1962 became the first Navy nurse to receive a master's degree in management from the Navy's Postgraduate School in Monterey.

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## Marine Sergeant To Fight Charge

A Marine drill instructor accused of kicking a recruit so badly he had to be hospitalized served notice at his court martial today that he will fight the charges.

Sgt. Russell P. Armstrong, 23, of Omaha, Neb., was granted a delay in the proceedings against him and was given two weeks to raise money for a civilian attorney.

The delay came minutes after the military court was convened in San Diego to air the maltreatment charges against him.

Victim of the alleged beating, Pvt. Robert F. Pierce Jr., 23, is at Oakland Naval Hospital in good condition. He at one time was listed as critical with a kidney malady thought to have been brought on by the reported attack.

Sgt. Armstrong, a drill instructor at the San Diego Marine recruit depot, has been

charged with three counts of maltreatment and one of assault under terms of the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

Today's request for a delay was made through Marine Capt. Robert B. Baker, who is serving as defense counsel until a civilian attorney can be retained.

No date for a reopening of the proceedings was set, however the court ordered a progress report on May 17 to learn if Armstrong will be able to find civilian counsel.

## Top-Notch Jango



JANGO-Of-The-Year at Oakland Naval Hospital is Jo Carol Ellis, who has put in 792 hours in Navy hospital wards. The 19-year old daughter of Lt. Glen M. Ellis plans to continue her service at least until she has reached 1000 hours. This is the second year that Jango's-of-the-Year were recognized. Winners at each station receive a gold charm bearing the crossed flags of the Jango emblem.

## World of Women

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## A Fete For Oak Knoll

Mrs. Augustus Scott, Mrs. James Hamill and Mrs. Harold Cokely (from left) talk over plans for Oak Knoll Officers Wives' Club fashion-show-luncheon to be held Wednesday at Castlewood Country Club. "Travel Temptations" is the theme of the 12:30 p.m. show. Mrs. Hamill is chairman of arrangements and decorations, and Mrs. Robert Colgrove will act as commentator. Mrs. Scott is club president, while Mrs. Cokely (wife of Oak Knoll's commanding officer) serves as honorary president.



## Navy Officer Leaves

Captain Sidney L. Arje, executive officer at Oakland Naval Hospital for the past two years, and his wife El-

leen, left the Bay Area today for the captain's new assignment at St. Albans, Long Island, N.Y.

He will be commanding officer at the naval hospital there. At Oak Knoll Hospital in

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Oakland he was chief of the outpatient service and has been active in planning the new hospital, now under construction.

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## Oakland Naval Hospital Aide Promoted to N.Y. Command

Capt. Sidney L. Arje, 52, executive officer at Oakland Naval Hospital, has been named commanding officer at St. Albans Naval Hospital in Long Island, New York.

Dr. Arje's promotion to a command post comes after 24 years in the Navy Medical

Corps. He has been executive officer at Oakland Naval Hospital for the past two years.

He earned his medical degree from New York University School of Medicine in 1938. He interned at Fordham Hospital and was ordered to active duty in the Navy Medical Corps Dec. 1, 1941.

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MOFFETT NEWS

## Moffett Blood Goes to Oak Knoll

Oakland Naval Hospital's new Mobile Blood Unit chose Moffett Field for its "shake-down" cruise on May 4. It departed with valuable cargo—37 units of whole blood from Moffett donors. This gift from Moffett personnel will help supply the hospital's blood needs, which have increased more than 50 percent in the last six months because of the influx of casualties from Viet Nam.

For many years Oak Knoll has sent a "mobile blood unit" to various stations where dispensary facilities were available for drawing the life-sustaining blood so important in the treatment of the critically ill and wounded.

Now, to match the mobility typical of the armed forces today, the hospital has a completely self-contained mobile unit that can draw up alongside a ship in port and start drawing blood within 15 minutes. The unit can handle approximately 40 donors during a morning visit without inconvenience to the host facility.

Lt. (jg) N. M. Hirsch, MSC, USNR, Officer in Charge of the Blood Bank, estimates that an hour and a half is saved per trip by drawing blood aboard the bus.

Very little time is required to set up the ambulance-bus to receive donors or to dismantle it on returning to the hospital.

More important than time is the fact that sterile conditions are easily maintained.

The unit required no special allotment of funds since the bus and all equipment required for converting it into a mobile blood unit were in use or in storage at the hospital.

Assisting Mr. Hirsch in setting up the efficient new "blood-mobile" were HMI Norman A. Wehrman, senior blood bank technician; HM2 John Anderson, HM3 Fred J. Fisher, and HM3 Bruce Wilson.

The new unit's next visit to Moffett Field will be Wednesday morning, June 8. It will make regular collections here and at Naval Air Station, Alameda; Naval Weapons Station, Concord; Hunters Point and Mare Island Divisions of San Francisco Bay Naval Shipyard.

Activities at Treasure Island, long a most dependable source of blood to help the Navy take care of its own, send 50 donors to the hospital every Friday morning.

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## Open House at Military Bases

A number of Bay Area military installations will open their gates to the public tomorrow in observance of Armed Forces Day.

Activities at The Presidio will begin at 10 a.m., featuring marching bands, a lecture on the war in Vietnam and a chance to sample Army chow.

Four Navy commands will hold open house, displaying various items of military hardware. They are:

Alameda Naval Air Station, open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Moffett Field in Sunnyvale, open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Treasure Island, open from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and the Oakland Naval Hospital from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Coast Guard Base at

Government Island in Alameda will feature the cutter Taney and other maritime displays from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

A variety of Army activities may be seen at Fort Ord from 9 a.m. on, including an assault against a mock Viet Cong village, a sample of Army basic training and, at 12:30 p.m., a skydiving exhibition at Fritzsche Army Air Field.



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## Weather

Mostly cloudy tonight and Sunday with clearing in the inland areas. Low tonight around 50 with westerly winds from 10 to 20 miles - per - hour. Details, Page 2.



Daily Review Photo by Jack Brain

## The War Is No Picnic

Frank Daskler, 22349 Peralta St., Hayward, was one of a South County team of volunteers who yesterday combined forces to put on a steak barbecue and afternoon of entertainment for wounded veterans of Viet Nam fighting who

are patients at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital. Here he's serving up steaks to Cpl. Earl Tostenson, of Fairburn, Ga., and Cpl. Gilbert Garcia, Big Foot, Texas, both of whom lost both legs in Viet Nam.

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## Sergeant Freed In Cruelty Case

A six-man general court martial board Saturday found Marine Sgt. Russell Armstrong, 23, innocent of kicking and beating Marine Corps recruit Robert F. Pierce, who entered Oakland Naval Hospital in critical condition March 24.

No comment was forthcoming from Pierce, also 23, of Onida, S.D., on hearing that his former drill instructor had been acquitted on four separate counts of maltreatment.

Spokesmen at the Naval Hospital said Pierce does not want to talk about the matter.

"Medically, the doctor says it would be all right for him to talk," say Lt. O. C. Langston, officer of the day. "But his doctor — Dr. Don Gregg — tells me Pierce feels it's over and done with."

"He says any further publicity would do neither himself nor the Marine Corps any good."

Pierce had suffered a kidney failure, but is now described as "progressing well" though these things take quite a while to straighten out," Lt. Langston said.

The verdict came after the military tribunal, meeting in San Diego, deliberated three hours and 20 minutes. There was no further comment by the board after the verdict was read.

The board, which consisted of one colonel, two lieutenant colonels and three majors, was required to have a two-thirds majority on a verdict, but there was no indication of what the board vote was.

After the verdict was returned, Armstrong said he was "relieved."

"He said, 'I had hoped for this verdict but I wasn't certain of what it would be. My basic feeling about the Marine Corps has not changed.'"

The five-year veteran said it would be up to his commanding officer if he was to remain on duty as a drill instructor. "I would not change my methods if I stay because I have done nothing wrong and have nothing to change," he said.

Armstrong of Omaha, Neb., said he was very pleased with his military counsel, Capt. Robert Baker. Baker was assigned as defense counsel after Armstrong had tried and failed to raise funds to hire a civilian attorney.

Pierce charged that Armstrong hit him in the area of the kidneys during physical training. He also said he was kicked.

Armstrong denied he had kicked or hit Pierce, but said he did "chew him out" on several occasions and once threatened to send him to the brig.

Armstrong testified that Pierce had approached him about transferring from the Marines to another branch of the armed forces.

He said that since then he had "chewed him out" several times. He also said that once he told Pierce that he would "do my best to see that you go to jail" if he did not obey a direct order to continue with physical exercises the platoon was performing.

Two doctors testifying at the court martial had conflicting theories about Pierce's condition. One physician said he believed the recruit had been hit in the area of the kidney, but the other said Pierce suffered a condition which could have been worsened by physical exercise such as the type performed by all Marine recruits.

Lt. Col. Robert Eastman told the court in his summation that the case boiled down to a matter of whether Armstrong was "guilty of a most serious and heinous form of maltreatment of a physically weak recruit or was himself a victim of recruits who maligned him with serious charges."

The defense counsel, Capt. Robert Baker, said the court would be making "what undoubtedly would be the most important decision in Armstrong's life."

He said, "the court must decide if a promising career is to be extinguished or allowed to continue."

The military men voted to continue Armstrong's career.

## Instant Prostheses

In 1963, Polish Surgeon Marian A. Weiss told an international meeting of orthopedists in Copenhagen that he and a French surgeon were fitting artificial legs while patients were still on the operating table—and still under anesthetic for their amputations. To most of his American listeners, Weiss seemed far off base. In U.S. experience, it always took from three months to a year to let a stump heal and to fit a permanent prosthesis on which the patient could learn to walk.

Less than three years later, the revolutionary technique is being used in half a dozen U.S. medical centers from Seattle to Miami. Government cash is speeding the process; the Veterans Adminis-



MYERS DANCING WITH NURSE

No time for helplessness.

tration is especially interested. More than 200 American patients—aged 2 to 82—have now been on their feet within 48 hours after an amputation, and most of them actually walking.

Pounding Pain. A typical case is that of Ward B. Myers, 38, who was supervising a construction job in Port Angeles, Wash., when his right foot was mangled in a boring machine. The foot became infected, causing osteomyelitis, and surgeons in Seattle's Swedish Hospital spent almost a year trying to save the leg. Myers endured twelve operations and almost constant pain—"like a toothache, it just kept pounding away." Early last month Dr. Ernest M. Burgess, whose team has had more experience with instant prostheses than any other U.S. surgeons, decided that the time had come to amputate Myers' leg and get him walking—fast.

In contrast with the recent practice of amputating above the knee, the Bur-

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gess team operated as far below the joint as possible, while still avoiding infected bone. After dressing the sutured stump to stanch bleeding, the surgeons used an elastic bandage soaked with plaster of paris to mold a cast around the stump and up Myers' thigh. Into the cast they built an aluminum socket, ready for insertion of a temporary aluminum column of adjustable length.

Next day the peg leg was inserted in the socket and Myers was helped to his feet. He felt only a little discomfort, and on the second day no pain at all. Within ten days he was walking to the barber shop, several blocks away; the next week the surgeons removed the stitches and snapped a new socket snugly to the stump, which had never been appreciably swollen. With this temporary rig, Myers went dancing. Last week orthopedic engineers machined a permanent artificial leg on which Myers wears an ordinary shoe, and he walks well without canes.

Running Children. Some surgeons question whether instant prosthesis is advisable for elderly, debilitated victims of diabetic or other blood-vessel disease. At Miami's James M. Jackson Memorial Hospital, on the other hand, Dr. Augusto Sarmiento has used the technique on more than 50 such patients aged 60 and over. Only three patients have needed a second (higher) amputation because of infection or poor circulation. Unlike some other surgeons, Dr. Sarmiento does not believe in leaving a drain tube in the wound, or in putting any padding between the stump and the socket. He wants the snuggest possible fit.

Though minor variations are still being tested, all investigating surgeons agree that the basic method has clear advantages for many patients. Compressing the stump and wound area in an instant cast prevents excessive swelling, which often used to cause loss of tissue and muscle strength. Not only does the patient feel far less pain; spared weeks of complete immobility, he is less likely to develop bed sores or other complications of confinement. Psychologically, the method works wonders because patients do not spend weeks feeling mutilated and despondent. Since rehabilitation begins within 24 hours, the amputee has no time to get into the habit of helplessness. Some children scarcely realize that they have a new and different leg, so they try to run down the halls in a couple of days.

At the U.S. Naval Hospital in Oakland, Dr. Frank L. Golbranson has already used instant prostheses to send some Viet Nam battle victims back to active, though limited, duty. Such progress is sure to bring long overdue improvement in treating most of the nation's estimated 30,000 leg amputations a year. With strong Government backing, the new technique probably can be perfected, and enough specialists trained in its use, to make it widely available in less than two years.

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## Purple Hearts and Go-Go Girls

A picnic for 75 Marines who were wounded in Vietnam was held in a eucalyptus grove at Oakland Naval Hospital yesterday.

Food dealers, tavern operators and other merchants from Hayward and San Leandro provided steaks, beer and other amenities for the affair. Two go-go girls and a rock 'n' roll band from a Hayward nightclub performed.

Eight of the veterans later received Purple Hearts.

Honored at the formal ceremonies were:

Hospital Corpsman Alvin L. Billings, 24, of Sheridan, Wyo.; Corporal Carlos E. Gallegos, 22, of Denver; Private First Class Richard J. Morales, 18, of Chicago; Private First Class Michael P. Neely, 20, of Flint, Mich.; Corporal Primitive L. Sanchez, 28, of San Diego; Private First Class Michael J. Schroeder, 19, of Napa; Private First Class Edward T. Swain, 19, of Payson, Utah; and Staff Sergeant Theodorus D. Wiener, 29, of Lakewood, Colo.

Berkeley Gazette

## JANGOs Needed to Serve At Oakland Naval Hospital

Daughters of officers in the armed forces are wanted for service as JANGOs at Oakland Naval Hospital. They must be between the ages of 14 and 21.

JANGO (Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization) is a nationwide service organization that provides opportunity for girls to acquaint themselves with the nursing profession and gives them a feeling for community service.

The next class will convene at 9 a.m. June 27. Application forms may be obtained by calling the office of the hospital's chief nurse, Extension 245. Deadline for submitting applications is June 24.

The girls receive 24 hours of classroom instruction from a

Navy Nurse Corps officer and 76 hours of supervised work in the hospital's dependent ward. Duties include bed making, giving bed baths, taking temperatures, assisting with admission and discharge of patients, running errands for patients, and aiding in many other ways to make the patient's hospital stay pleasant.

JANGOs wear attractive blue pinafores with red and white trim. They are capped on completion of their 100 hours' training. The girls also earn pins and chevrons as they reach various milestones in their service.

On special "JANGO Days" the girls work, have lunch together, and hear lectures by staff doctors.

## Navy Mothers Seat Staff

Chaplain Marvin Chamberlain of Oak Knoll Hospital officiated at the installation ceremony of Oakland Navy Mothers Club held at Oakland Veterans Memorial Building.

The new slate comprises Mrs. Lawrence De Martini, commander; Mrs. Theodore O'Hara and Mrs. Frank Grant, vice commanders; Mrs. Del Jensen, adjutant; Mrs. Irving Rathbun, assistant adjutant; Mrs. Martin Hoenisch, finance officer.

Mrs. Carl Knutson, chaplain; Mrs. Manuel Prestella, judge advocate; Mrs. Alice Olsen and Mrs. Raymond White, matrons-at-arms; Mrs. Fred Wilson and Mrs. Thomas King, flag bearers.



MAY 25, 1966

NAVY TIMES

## Recruiting Biggest Problem For Nurse Corps Director

By CURTIS JORDAN

WASHINGTON — When Capt. Veronica M. Bulsheski was chief of nursing service at the Oakland (Calif.) Naval Hospital, she had little inkling that a decision was being made in Washington by the Secretary of the Navy that would radically change the course of her life.

She was then a commander and was doing the work she loves best: helping amputees—men who had lost their limbs in that dirty war in Vietnam—become adjusted to their handicap.

But the decision made in Washington moved her from her job of helping to rehabilitate wounded war veterans to the top position in the Navy Nurse Corps. On April 29, she became the Corps' 11th director when she was sworn into office by Vice Adm. Robert E. Brown, the Navy Surgeon General.

The appointment came as a complete surprise to me, said the new director of a Corps that was established by Congress in 1908.

"I had less than 10 days to settle my affairs in Oakland," she said, "and then drove across country in five days in order to report here by April 18th." For the remainder of the month, she was snapped in on her new duties by her predecessor, Capt. Ruth A. Erickson who retired April 30. The new director, who had been selected for promotion to captain in September 1965, was appointed to that rank when she was sworn into office.

Unmarried herself, the director can still speak of the problems of the young service wife with sympathy and understanding.

"Most of them have no mother nearby to advise them about their children. They're strictly on their own. Whom can the young mother turn to for support except the Naval hospital," she declared.

She was also quick to admit that many clinics are overcrowded and that dependents seeking out-patient care are frequently forced to wait long hours before getting in to see the doctor.

Nursing has come a long way since Capt. Bulsheski graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Hospital School of Nursing. She described the profession as "getting as sophisticated as medicine," with many avenues open for specialties. The captain, incidentally, was the first Navy nurse to earn a master of science degree in management from the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.

Appearing more thirtyish than fortyish, despite a military career that began before World War II, the director can draw from a wealth of administrative experience for her new post.

SHE WAS CHIEF of nursing service at Guam during the post war period and held similar assignments at Naval Hospitals, Beaufort, S.C. and Jacksonville and Pensacola, Fla. During the war she worked among the wounded at Pearl Harbor and Base Hospital 8, Hawaii.

"There is no overtime pay for Navy nurses," she declared, "so we try to keep their work week in line with civilian nurses." But she doesn't consider pay as the real incentive for nursing. Instead, she describes it as a "special calling," a desire to "live a life of service for the less fortunate." That conviction is probably one of the reasons she was named director of the Nurse Corps.

Another reason so many girls leave the corps—and one that no legislation could ever correct—is marriage. While there's no rule against a nurse getting married and remaining on active duty, and the director is a firm believer in married couples being stationed together whenever possible—the state of motherhood which usually follows rules a girl ineligible to stay in the corps.

The restriction on promotion to higher ranks, she charges, is driving many of her nurses out of the service. The corps is top-heavy with lieutenant commanders and "we are restricted to how many we can promote to commander." Legislation to correct this is in the planning stage and the director has high hopes for favorable action by Congress.

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### Only Way to Go



SALUTE TO the 58th anniversary of the Navy Nurse Corps found Lt. Mary K. Meehan posing on Detroit's Washington Boulevard which was renamed Navy Nurse Boulevard (see top sign) for the observance. Michigan Gov. George Romney also proclaimed Navy Nurse Week throughout the state.

Oakland Tribune

Sun., June 5, 1966 30



LT. CMDR. SHULTZ

## Viet Medal For Oakland Naval Hero

Lt. Cmdr. Richard R. Shultz, now with the staff at Oakland Naval Hospital, has received the Vietnamese Gallantry Cross with Silver Star for his service in the war-torn Southeast Asia country.

Shultz, 32, already the recipient of the U.S. Bronze Star for his work in Viet Nam, was cited for spending much of his duty time traveling with the Vietnamese Navy to treat government forces at isolated places throughout the Mekong Delta and on off-shore islands. The citation noted he had escaped three planned assassinations by the Viet Cong.

Shultz left Viet Nam in July, 1964 after nine months of service in the country.

22 E Oakland Tribune Fri., June 3, 1966

## Blood for Viet Casualties Donated by Italian Seamen

Forty Italian navy men donated blood today at the Oakland Naval Hospital for America's Viet Nam casualties under treatment at the hospital.

The men are crewmembers of two submarines taken out of the United States Navy's mothball fleet, and given to Italy in March.

The ships, now named the A. Cappellini and the F. Morosini, are being overhauled at Hunters Point. They are scheduled to sail for Italy in November.

Friday, June 3, 1966

MUFFETT NEWS



Inside this bus, Moffett personnel gave 37 units of blood for treatment of patients at Oakland Naval Hospital, where the need has increased more than 50 percent because of the influx of Vietnam casualties. The blood team including LTJG N. M. Hirsch, MSC, USNR, Officer in

Charge of the Oak Knoll Blood Bank; HM1 Norman A. Woehrman, HM3 Peter G. Nicholas, HN George Guinn, HM3 John E. Anderson, HM3 Clark Ferrell, HM3 Fred Fisher, HM3 Bruce Wilson, and HN John E. Myers.

## Viet Blood Crisis Still in Effect, Oaknoll Asks Help From Moffett Field

The war in Vietnam, like any war, is making demands on the American people. But it makes no greater demands on any of us than those men whom it wounds and maims.

Wednesday, the 8th of June, a mobile unit from Oaknoll Naval Hospital, will return to Moffett seeking blood for American wounded.

The need for blood is critical. The Bloodmobile will be stationed near the base dispensary at 9 a.m. Moffett personnel are asked to support this blood drive.



THAT LITTLE bag of human blood HM3 Peter G. Nichols places in iced styrofoam carrying case may save a life.



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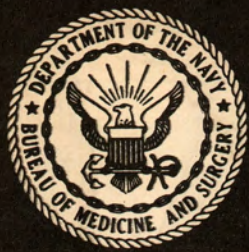
DENTAL OFFICER PRESENTATIONS. CAPT R. A. Middleton DC USN, U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California, spoke on "Principles of Surgical Management of Central Lesion of the Jaws," and served on a panel to discuss "Tempomandibular Joint Disorders" during a 5 day course in Oral Surgery, presented by Letterman General Hospital on 4-8 April 1966.

CDR J. F. Hardin DC USN, U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California, addressed members of the Southern Alameda County Dental Society at their 15 March meeting at Holiday Bowl in Hayward, California. His subject was "Navy Preventive Dentistry and Private Practice."

CDR Hardin was introduced by CAPT R. A. Middleton DC USN, Chief of Oak Knoll's Dental Service, after the latter had been presented by his Oak Knoll predecessor, CAPT Paul Sutor DC USN, Ret., a member of the society who is now practicing oral surgery in San Leandro. Approximately 85 civilian dentists attended the meeting.

On 22 March, CDR Hardin spoke before the dental staff of the U.S. Public Health Service Hospital and U.S. Public Health Service Dental Health Center, San Francisco, on "Surgical Problems in Periodontics."





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### CAPT GALE CLARK HONORED AT OAKLAND NAVAL HOSPITAL

CAPT Gale Clark MC USN, Chief of Neurosurgery at Oakland Naval Hospital, on 5 March was elected President of the San Francisco Neurological Society—a singular honor in that he is the first armed forces medical officer chosen to head the group of civilian specialists.

In 1962 Dr. Clark returned to Oak Knoll for his third tour of duty as Chief of the Neurosurgical Service after serving in the same capacity at USNH, Chelsea, for four years. He was Chief of Neuro-



surgery aboard the USS CONSOLATION in Korea from 1950-51.

CAPT Clark earned his BA degree at the University of Wisconsin in 1938 and his MD at the University of Cincinnati in 1942. He interned at Presbyterian Hospital of Chicago and had residency training in general surgery at USNH, Bethesda. He had his residency training in neurological surgery at Huntington Memorial Hospital, Pasadena, and the University of California.

He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Neurological Surgery (1956), a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, and a member of the Harvey Cushing Society and the Western Neurosurgical Society.

In addition to heading neurosurgery at Oak Knoll from 1953 to 1958, Dr. Clark was a clinical assistant in neurological surgery at the University of California Medical School. He is now a lecturer in neuroanatomy at UC, as he was at Harvard Medical School during his tour of duty at USNH, Chelsea.—U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California.



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### June 24 Deadline To Make Application for Next JANGO Class

Daughters of officers in the armed forces are wanted for service as JANGOs at Oakland Naval Hospital. They must be between the ages of 14 and 21.

JANGO (Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization) is a nationwide service organization that provides opportunity for girls to acquaint themselves with the nursing profession and gives them a feeling for community service.

The next class will convene at 9 a.m., June 27. Application forms may be obtained by calling the office of the hospital's chief nurse. The telephone number is 569-8211, ext. 245. The deadline for submitting applications is June 24.

The girls receive 24 hours of classroom instruction from a Navy Nurse Corps officer and 76 hours of supervised work in the hospital's dependent wards. Duties include bed making, giving bed baths, taking temperatures, assisting with admission and discharge of patients, running errands for patients, and aiding in many other ways to make the patients' hospital stay pleasant.

JANGOs wear attractive blue pinafores with red and white trim. They are capped on completion of their 100 hours training. They earn pins and chevrons as they reach various milestones in their service.

On special "JANGO Days" the girls work, have lunch together, and hear lectures by staff doctors.



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### NEW DIRECTOR, NAVY NURSE CORPS

On 29 April 1966, the Navy Surgeon General, VADM Robert B. Brown, delivered the oath of office to the new director, CAPT Veronica M. Bulshefski, Nurse Corps, U.S. Navy. She is the eleventh director to be appointed since the Corps was established by Congress in May, 1908. Her appointment is for a period of four years.

A native of Ashley, Pennsylvania, CAPT Bulshefski graduated from the Hospital School of Nursing, University of Pennsylvania and is a recipient of a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Education from Indiana University. She also holds the distinction of being the first Navy nurse to be awarded a Master of Science Degree in Management from the Naval Post Graduate School, Monterey, California.

The new director was appointed in the Nurse Corps of the U.S. Navy in January, 1940 and reported to the U.S. Naval Hospital, Brooklyn, New York for duty. Promotions followed in the grade of Lieutenant (junior grade) in March, 1943; Lieutenant in April 1946; Lieutenant Commander in January, 1952; and Commander in October, 1958. She was selected for a promotion to Captain in September, 1965 and was appointed in that rank as she was sworn in as Director.

CAPT Bulshefski's military career includes extensive administrative assignments prior to and following World War II. Overseas assignments of the new Director include duty at the Naval Hospitals, Pearl Harbor and Base Hospital #8, Hawaii during World War II and as Chief of Nursing Service at Guam, Mariana Islands in the post war period. She has also served as Chief of Nursing Service at the Naval Hospitals Beaufort, South Carolina; and Jacksonville and Pensacola, Florida. At the time of her selection as Director by the Secretary of the Navy, she was serving as Chief of Nursing Service at the Naval Hospital, Oakland, California.

In addition to membership in the professional nursing organizations, CAPT Bulshefski is a member of the Indiana University Alumni Association and the Pi Lambda Theta Honorary Society. Her service awards include the National Defense Service Medal, the American Theatre Medal, World War II Medal, and the Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal.

CAPT Bulshefski brings to the Directorate a wealth of knowledge and experience in administration of nursing services, personnel management and research techniques. She has also authored and co-authored articles for the professional nursing bulletins. The new Director will commence on 1 May to oversee and direct the activities of 2,000 Navy Nurse Corps officers who are serving all over the world.

Upon assuming the Office of Director, Navy Nurse Corps, I wish to extend my warm greetings and best wishes to each of you. I am proud and pleased to serve as your Director and welcome this opportunity to communicate directly with you. May this message serve as the beginning of a close communication bond between us.

In this anniversary month of May, we examine with pride our heritage—the Navy Nurse Corps. We renew once again our pledge to contribute our talents and efforts to peace, patient care, and progress. We also reflect with pride on the milestones in the colorful history of the Nurse Corps, the leadership ability of its present and former members and their achievements through the years.

I also view with pride the present members of the Corps in their expanding roles. I am especially grateful for your loyal support, your individual contributions, and your distinguished record of service. I am equally proud of your willingness to subordinate your personal desires to the needs and welfare of the military man and his family. This dedication of service and proficiency of our members has characterized our Corps since its establishment and has served a vital role in maintaining the traditionally high standards of the nursing profession and the naval service.

May we together experience the challenges and satisfactions of future fruitful years.

Thank you one and all for a JOB WELL DONE.

s/Veronica M. Bulshefski  
CAPT NC USN  
Director, Navy Nurse Corps

JUNE 8, 1966

NAVY TIMES (Weekend)

## for the family

### Rh Baby Is Saved By Oakland Staff

OAKLAND, Calif.—A Navy wife has happily returned to Kodiak, Alaska, taking with her a newborn baby and fond memories of the Oakland Naval Hospital medical team who allowed that baby to live.

Mrs. Marcella Doyle, wife of Leo D. Doyle, chief aviation machinist's mate was expecting her fifth baby, and had reason for concern as she had a severe Rh blood incompatibility. Of her three living children, two received exchange transfusions after birth, and her fourth pregnancy had ended unhappily with a stillbirth because of the Rh problem.

Laboratory tests at Kodiak revealed that the baby she was expecting at that time was also severely affected and without help would probably not survive.

After arrival at Oakland, tests of the amniotic fluid (in which the baby is bathed) were performed, revealing that the baby was severely affected. Over the first eight weeks after arrival, the unborn baby was given a total of three intrauterine transfusions.

This trick maneuver was accomplished by Comdr. J. F. Wenzel and Lt. Comdr. Alan Erbe of Oakland's obstetrical service.

On March 8, a 4-pound, 9-ounce boy was delivered. Laboratory tests revealed that 85 percent of his blood was that given him in the

intrauterine transfusions. Only five percent of his own blood remained.

During the first three days of life, the baby received six exchange transfusions, his entire blood being changed each time. The care of the baby and the exchange transfusions were performed by Comdr. J. W. Hayes and Lt. W. L. Gill of the Pediatric Service.

A large part of the credit for the baby's survival goes to the Laboratory Service under the supervision of Capt. D. B. Rulon, who performed many laboratory tests on both baby and mother and provided the blood needed for the transfusions. The blood was supplied so fresh it was still warm from the donors when it was given to the baby.



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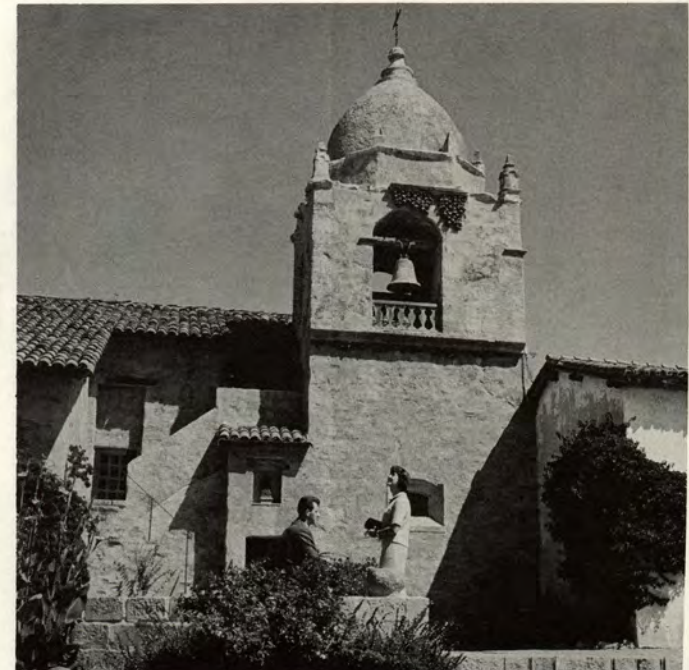
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# A Royal Reception for the 25,000th Honeymoon Couple at the Highlands Inn . . . MacDougall King photos



(above left) Just below the Highlands Inn, Jean and Charles discover the dramatic coastline—an unparalleled scene: a rugged terrain, crisp wild flowers and a deep blue sea. (left) In the patio garden at the beautiful Carmel Mission Basilica the honeymooners are entranced with the old bell in the tower, the swallow nests and the unusual pattern of light and shadows. (below, left) In the midst of glitter and splendor of the exotic Christmas Room of the Carmel Art Shop—Charles holds a sprig of mistletoe over his new bride's head. (above) In Carmel the newlyweds are conducted through the Emile Norman Gallery by Brooks Clemens, writer, photographer and business executive for the internationally known artist-sculptor whose works are highly acclaimed. (below) Over the hill in Monterey the Curtises wander down to the end of Fisherman's Wharf to view the fishing fleet and chat with small fry fishermen.



ON A PERFECT DAY, filled with the warmth of midsummer colors and heavenly scents of pine and flowers, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brent Curtis stepped lightly up the stone stairway and through portals of the beautiful and internationally known Highlands Inn, becoming the 25,000th honeymoon couple. In the clear air, several hundred feet above the pounding surf of the blue Pacific in an attractive and secluded spot in the Carmel Highlands, the staff of the great hostelry extended a most gracious welcome to the surprised young newlyweds.

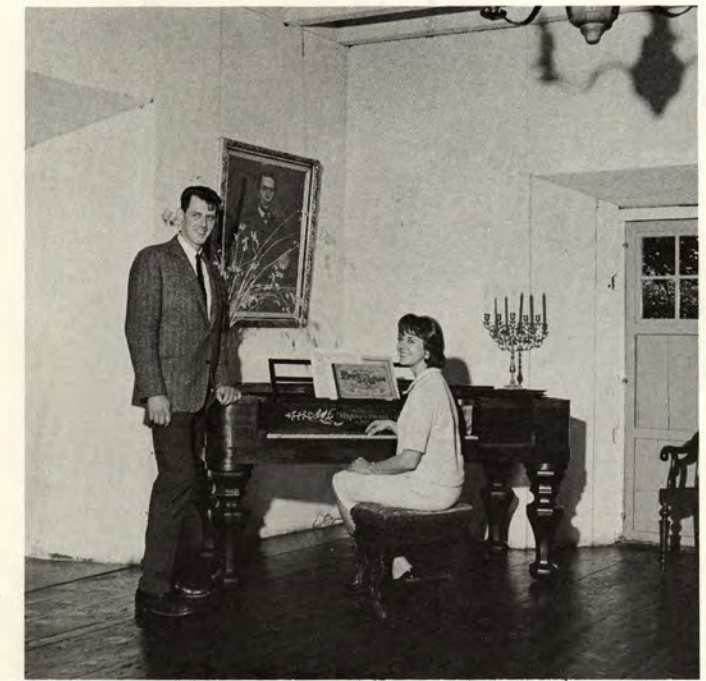
The bride, (nee) Martha Jean McMaster, the daughter of Ret. Coast Guard Commander and Mrs. Thomas P. McMaster of La Mesa, California, received her commission in the U.S. Naval Nurse Corps in 1964 and is presently on active duty at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, Oakland, California.

Mr. Curtis, the son of Mrs. Dwight J. Curtis and the late Mr. Curtis of Pocatello, Idaho, is employed by Med-Cor at Camp Parks Job Corps Center in Pleasanton. Charles was recently released from active duty with the Naval Reserve.

The couple were joined in the holy bonds of matrimony at high noon on July 30 at the Church of the Wayfarer in Carmel.

After a gracious reception for relatives and friends in the Point Lobos Room at the Inn, the couple were given a whirlwind tour of the Peninsula and were honored guests for three days.

Within the past fifty years young lovers the world over have started wedded bliss in the magnificent setting of the Inn which has been compared to the Dalmatian coast and the Amalfi region of Italy.



(above right) After a tour through the old historic Monterey adobe, the Robert Louis Stevenson House, Jean sits at the old grand, perhaps one of the first to come around the Horn over a century ago. (right) At mid-afternoon Jean and Charles take tea at the studio-home of the country's foremost artist, Marjorie Allen of Monterey, where they viewed many fine paintings and the start of a new one. (left) Lover's Point of Pacific Grove made a lovely backdrop for this memorable photo—the couple rest on the pier where they make friends with a puppy. The waters below are the famous marine gardens. (left below) Down on Cannery Row, Jean and Charles leave the Old General Store, formerly known as Wing Chong's Market, made famous by John Steinbeck in his story on Cannery Row. Marion Blakley bids them adieu. (below right) As the day came to a close, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis, in a corner of the Sunset Room at the Highlands, had eyes only for each other.







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Dressed for the traditional victory "dunking," Dick Thompson and his crew, Jim Dickinson, both of Redwood City, hold trophies presented by Mrs. Dorothea Veeder Condon of Carmel—Mark Raggett, right, is regatta chairman. Thompson won the Labor Day Mercury Regatta at Stillwater Cove, even though he took time to rescue two fishermen from the sea.

Mrs. Willard S. Yates holds silver tray won by her grandson, Van Yates, the 1966 season champion of Stillwater Yacht Club and winner of the Jenkins Perpetual Trophy.

(below) Chris Clark was the winner of the season championship Toro division held at the club.

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# Student Nurses Open Some New Doors

By ELAINE REED

The doors of the psychiatric wards at Highland Hospital have been opened for the first time to students enrolled in the school of nursing there.

And in the eyes of everyone concerned, the first group of nursing fledglings to complete the 12-week training course came through with flying colors.

Marion F. Wardell is espe-

cially proud. And rightly so. A retired Navy nurse, Miss Wardell is in charge of students in psychiatric nursing.

THE SOFT-SPOKEN native of New Jersey is well quali-

fied for her new post. During the latter part of her 21-year stint in the Navy Nurse Corps, she trained hospital corpsman in psychiatric nursing.

When she ended her Navy

career in 1964, she held the title of supervisor of the neuro-psychiatric department at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital.

Miss Wardell believes the fresh approach of young students toward patients with deep-seated problems casts a ray of light on everyone concerned. She found the students' initial apprehension toward the psychiatric phase of nursing short-lived. And it wasn't long before they were "fitting into the ward routines like veterans," she said proudly.

Miss Wardell stresses two points to her students: the importance of interpersonal relationships coupled with group meeting with patients.

BOTH OF these points were reflected in projects the girls planned before completing the course.

One group planned an open house. And for the first time in its history, the doors of the psychiatric unit were opened to the rest of the hospital's doctors and nurses.

The patients eagerly responded to the prospects of a party. And they performed

admirably in their dual roles as hosts, hostesses and entertainers, according to Miss Wardell.

And in addition, the rest of the hospital staff no longer regards the psychiatric section of the hospital as a mystery house.

"UP UNTIL this time it was sort of looked on as a room in a house that was never opened," noted Dr. Maurice Beaulieu, chief of the psychiatric in-patient service.

In a less spectacular but equally significant manner, a second group of students applied their know-how to patients in other wards of the hospital. After making bedside visits, they offered suggestions to ward nurses.

Prior to this spring, Highland's nursing students had to go to Fresno State Hospital for psychiatric training.

THE CHANGE of policy came about when the school was awarded funds under provision of the Short-Doyle Act. The state currently reimburses the county 75 per cent of the cost of the program.



MARION F. WARDELL  
... In a new post

## World of Women

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### Wanted: Girls for JANGO

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On certain days, the girls hear lectures by staff doctors.

## World of Women

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### Perry Phillips

... Night Sounds ...

Special kudos to Tommy Leonetti for giving the boys at Oak Knoll Hospital an evening to remember. The hospital was promised Frank Sinatra by a state politico, who left the hospital group hanging until the last day, when he called and said the deal was off. KSFO's Jack Carney informed Tommy of the situation, and he canceled a dinner engagement to do the show for the boys. Tommy quickly contacted comedian Hank Bradford and pianist Clyde Pound and the Navy provided them with a staff car and escort. After clearance from the highway patrol, they zoomed over for the show. The Navy returned them with equal dispatch to the hungry in time for the first of three shows Saturday night.

The episode brings me to a thought for the day. Let'serman Hospital in San Francisco and Oak Knoll here in Oakland are treating many wounded Viet Nam veterans. Why the hospital should be struggling to line up entertainment for these veterans is beyond me. I would think every night club owner in these parts would offer his headliner to these boys. This is not a matter of a second thought. Owners, I'm asking you: the ball. Show us, and the boys at these two hospitals, how well you can carry it.

NAVY TIMES

JUNE 22, 1966

### Oakland's Blood Bus Speeds Up Donations



LAYOUT OF the Oakland Naval Hospital's mobile blood unit allows members of the medical team to keep a close watch on the progress of donors. The new blood bus can accommodate 40 donors during a visit to a ship or activity.

OAKLAND, Calif. — An increased need for blood brought on by the influx of Vietnam casualties at the Naval Hospital here has resulted in increased speed and efficiency in collecting it.

For many years the hospital has sent a mobile blood unit to various stations where dispensary facilities were available for drawing the life-sustaining blood so important in the treatment of the critically ill and wounded.

Now, the hospital has a completely self-contained mobile unit that can draw up alongside a ship in port and start taking donors within 15 minutes. The unit can handle approximately 40 donors during a morning visit without inconvenience to the ship.

LL(j) N. M. Hirsch, officer-in-charge of the blood bank, estimates that 90 minutes are saved per trip by drawing blood aboard the bus.

Very little time is required to set up the ambulance-bus to receive donors or to dismantle it after returning to the hospital.

MORE IMPORTANT than time

is the fact that sterile conditions are easily maintained.

The unit required no special allotment of funds since the bus and all equipment required for converting it into a mobile blood unit were in use or in storage at the hospital.

Assisting with the bloodmobile project were Norman A. Wehrman, hospital corpsman first, senior blood bank technician; John Anderson, hospital corpsman second, and Fred J. Fisher and Bruce Wilson, hospital corpsmen third.

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### Nurse Corps Gets New Director

The Secretary of the Navy recently announced the appointment of Commander Veronica M. Bulsheski, Nurse Corps, USN, as Director of the Navy Nurse Corps to serve for a four-year term.

Commander Bulsheski has been Chief of Nursing Service at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, Calif., since April 1964.

Before her assignment to Oakland Naval Hospital, Commander Bulsheski was Chief of Nursing Service at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Pensacola.

Commander Bulsheski was born in Ashley, Penn., and attended Ashley High School. She graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Training School for Nurses at Philadelphia and from the School of Instruction in Occupational Therapy at the Philadelphia school of Occupational Therapy.

She received her bachelor

of science degree from Indiana University in Nursing Administration and a master of science degree in management from the Navy Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.

Following two years of employment at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital in Philadelphia, Commander Bulsheski entered the Navy Nurse Corps on January 8, 1940 and was assigned to the U.S. Naval Hospital, Brooklyn, N.Y.

During the World War II years Commander Bulsheski served at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, as the Chief Nurse. From 1945 to 1946 she was the Nurse Corps Detail Officer in the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Washington, D. C. She has served since at the Naval Medical School, Bethesda, Md., and at a number of other Naval Medical facilities in the United States and overseas.



# Corpsmen Honored

Enlisted personnel at Oak Knoll Hospital celebrated the 68th anniversary of the establishment of the Navy Hospital Corps last weekend with a birthday dinner, floor show and ball. The hospital auditorium was transformed for the occasion with flags, flowers and scenes depicting the corpsmen at work in various parts of the world. Unveiling of a painting by Corpsman 2nd Class Fred Fisher commemorating hospital corpsmen's service in Viet Nam climaxed the ceremony, which

honored 10 outstanding hospital corpsmen. The painting will eventually be hung in a new Oak Knoll building now being built. Honored were Don Hansen, J. P. Daniels, Matias Orque, Theresa Cooper, Robert Lee, Thomas Hein, Harold Richter, Alice Turner, Richard Kline and Thomas Stoackel. There are approximately 25,000 hospital corpsmen on duty in all parts of the world. They are serving on planes and ships, participating in manned spacecraft programs and with the Marine Corps in the jungles of Viet Nam.



PHYLLIS MCCLOUD WITH HOSPITAL CORPSMAN FRED FISHER  
... his painting in background will be donated to new hospital building



CORPSMAN AND MRS. RICHARD D. KLINE  
... he was among the 10 hospital corpsmen honored at gala

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## Retired Marine Leroy Hanley Dies

BERKELEY — LeRoy B. (Pat) Hanley, retired U.S. Marine Corps colonel and onetime football coach, died today following a long illness.

Col. Hanley joined the corps immediately after Pearl Harbor and took part in three major battles. He was with the First Marine Division at Guadalcanal and with the Fourth Division at Saipan and Tinian.

His bravery in the engagements won him the Bronze Star and Silver Star. He also held the Purple Heart medal.

A native of Minnesota, Col. Hanley spent his childhood in Spokane and graduated from Washington State University with a degree in mining and engineering.

Before the lure of football was too strong and he joined the staff at Northwestern University in Illinois, where his brother, Richard, was head coach.

After six years as backfield coach, he accepted a head coaching post at Boston University and was there when the war broke out.

While the troops were preparing to take Iwo Jima he coached the Fourth Division football team to an all-Pacific championship.

During demobilization, Col. Hanley was deputy to the commandant of the Marine Corps, in charge of special services on the West Coast and Alaska.

In the 1950s, Col. Hanley was retired for a physical disability. He and his wife, Eileen, lived at 424 Grizzly Peak Blvd. for

the past 19 years.  
Col. Hanley also is survived by four brothers, Richard, who now lives in Palo Alto; Harold of Port Orchard, Wash.; Lee of Edmunds, Wash., and Myron Hanley of Evanston, Ill.

He was a member of numerous military, educational and Catholic organizations.

A Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday in St. Mary Magdalene Church, Berryman and Milvia Streets.

The Rosary will be recited at 8 p.m. tomorrow in the Berkeley Hills Chapel, 1600 Shattuck Ave.

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## Grants Given At Oakland

OAKLAND, Calif.—Louise Ann La Mothe and Jo Ann Bonner are winners of the Oak Knoll OWC scholarships for 1966. Each received \$300.

Louise, the daughter of Capt. Daniel E. La Mothe (DC-Ret.) and Mrs. La Mothe is a Stanford student majoring in history. She spent the last two semesters at the university's Florence, Italy campus.

Jo Ann, daughter of Chaplain (Comdr.) Robert A. Bonner and Mrs. Bonner of Novato, will enter Westmont College in September.

Children of medical, dental, medical service and chaplain's corps officers in the 12th Naval District are eligible for the award.

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## Society Medley

Mrs. Harold J. Cokely was hostess Friday at a luncheon in honor of Mrs. Irwin L. V. Norman and her 14-year-old daughter, Anne Marie, who are visiting here from Washington, D.C.

Mrs. Norman is the widow of a former executive officer at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital ... her aunt, Mrs. Ross T. McIntire, who is the widow of the former surgeon general of the Navy who helped select the site for the local hospital, is visiting here from San Diego and was among the luncheon guests.

At a barbecue Friday night, Adm. and Mrs. Cokely and their out-of-town guests were joined by Capt. and Mrs. Dean Schufeldt (he is Oak Knoll's new executive officer) and daughters Sheila, Linda and Dana who arrived recently from Jacksonville, Fla.

Sunday evening the Cokelys hosted a cocktail party honoring the Schufeldts ... among the guests were Rear Adm. and Mrs. John E. Clark (he is commandant of the 12th Naval District) and Oak Knoll chiefs of services and their wives.



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## Skippers in the Spotlight



BORN JUNE 6, 1916, IN BUXY OKLA., GEORGE MONROE DAVIS JR. GREW UP IN A MEDICALLY-ORIENTED FAMILY. HIS FATHER WAS A COUNTRY DOCTOR AND TWO OLDER BROTHERS ARE DENTISTS NOW PRACTICING IN OKLAHOMA. AFTER RECEIVING HIS MEDICAL DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA SCHOOL OF MEDICINE IN 1939, ADM. DAVIS WAS APPOINTED AN ACTING ASSISTANT SURGEON IN THE NAVY AUG. 21, 1939, WITH THE RANK OF LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE).

DURING WORLD WAR II, HE SERVED WITH THE FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC, AT DUTCH HARBOR, ALASKA, AND WITH THE 4TH MARINE DIVISION IN THE PACIFIC RECEIVING NAVY COMMENDATION MEDALS FOR THE LANDINGS ON IWO JIMA AND IWO JIMA.

ADM. DAVIS WAS CHIEF OF MEDICINE IN THE HOSPITAL SHIP HAVEN DURING THE KOREAN WAR. HE HAS ALSO SERVED AS EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE OAKLAND, CALIF., NAVAL HOSPITAL AND AS COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE YOKOSUKA, JAPAN, AND BETHESDA, MD., NAVAL HOSPITALS BEFORE TAKING HIS PRESENT POST.

OF HIS CAREER, THE ADMIRAL SAYS, "HAVING BEEN SCARED IN THE OKLAHOMA DUST BOWL AND NEVER HAVING SEEN THE SEA, THE NAVY SOUNDED EXCITING AND INTERESTING. IT WAS PROVEN TO BE. WHEREBY IN THE NAVY MEDICAL CORPS, COULD YOU HAVE TREATED MALARIA IN THE ALEUTIAN ISLANDS, DELIVERED A CHAMBERLAIN BABY IN SAIPAN, SUCCESSFULLY MANAGED TETANUS IN A KOREAN YOUNGSTER AT INCHON, STRUGGLED WITH PNEUMONIA ON TINIAN, BATTLED BACILLARY DYSENTERY ON IWO JIMA, HEPATITIS ON IWO JIMA, AMEBIASIS IN HONG KONG, AND THE THREAT OF CHOLERA IN JAPAN? I'VE NEVER MADE A BAD TOUR OF DUTY."

THE ADMIRAL HAS TAKEN POSTGRADUATE INSTRUCTION IN INTERNAL MEDICINE AT THE NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND IS A FELLOW OF VARIOUS MEDICAL GROUPS.

MRS. DAVIS IS THE FORMER HELEN MARIE HENDERSON OF MOORE, OKLA. THEY HAVE A DAUGHTER, CAROL JEAN, WHO IS THE WIFE OF NAVY LT. JAMES E. GRISER. THE ADMIRAL'S HOBBIES ARE FISHING AND GARDENING.

Rear Adm.  
**GEORGE M. DAVIS JR. (Mc)**  
COMMANDING OFFICER, NATIONAL NAVY CENTER  
BETHESDA, MD.  
Navy Times



Beauty queen Pat Woodward, 21, the daughter of a former Navy drill team leader, puts on a precision drill show for patients at the Oakland Naval Hospital. 'Miss Livermore Valley' wears a Marine dress jacket and cap with

short skirt and boots for the drill. Enjoying performance are (from left): Marines Cpl. George Redpath of Redwood City, Cpl. Robert Garcia of Salinas, and Navy Hospitalman 3/C Bob Fields of 227 Sextus Road, Oakland.

## Housewife Slain

The body of an Alameda housewife was found in her bloody bedroom yesterday. She had been stabbed in the neck, back and chest. Police said the murdered woman, Kimie Turner, 30, was discovered by her husband, George, 39, when he returned to the apartment at 2215-B Lincoln Avenue from his construction job in Martinez. His wife, a waitress at the

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A 30-year-old woman was still clad in her waitress uniform, police said. The murder weapon was not found.

*Bill Fisher*  
... Man Alive ...

A while back Oakland Naval Hospital needed some guitars for Viet Nam veterans (a military budget just CAN'T include everything) and Eastbay people responded with three dozen. All, according to Edna Rowan of the hospital's Special Services, are in daily use. Now they need small TV sets and new or used garden furniture. It seems the patients are human. They like to watch television and like to sit out in the sun. . . .

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## Top Corpsmen Cited By Oakland Hospital

OAKLAND, Calif. — The "top ten" hospital corpsmen at the Oakland Naval Hospital were honored by their commanding officer at the hospital's program marking the 68th anniversary of the Navy's hospital corpsmen.

Receiving letters from Rear Adm. H. J. Cokely were: Don L. Hanson, BMC, preventive medicine service; J. P. Daniels, HM1, prosthetic research laboratory; Richard D. Kline, HM1 nursing service; Matias I. Orque, HM1, food service; Theresa A. Cooper, HM2, special services; Robert E. Lee, HM2, physical therapy; Jo Turner, HM2, Wave quarters master-at-arms; Thomas R. Hein, HM3, neuropsychiatry; Harold R. Richter, HM3, pharmacy; and Thomas A. Stoeckel, HM3, nursing service.

A special letter went to Fred Fisher, hospital corpsman second, laboratory and blood bank technician, who created the design used on programs, invitations and a special edition of the hospital newspaper. Fisher also presented to the command an oil painting depicting the role of corpsmen in the Vietnam war.

Decorations for the anniversary buffet dinner and program were made by the hospital's Waves. Entertainment was provided by singer Tommy Leonetti and comedian Hank Bradford from San Francisco's Hungry i nightclub; the Vibratones combo and the Molin-ares accordion team.

CADUCEUS and dove of peace dominated the design of Fred Fisher, hospital corpsman second, for the invitations and program for the 68th anniversary of the Navy's hospital corpsmen at the Oakland Naval Hospital.

Theresa Cooper was chairman and mistress of ceremonies, assisted by Bruce Wilson, hospital corpsman third.





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## Escaper From Viet Reds Is Bay Flyer

By Charles Howe

The Navy pilot who escaped from a Communist prison camp and reached safety last week after a 23-day trek through the Vietnam jungle was identified as a former San Francisco City College student yesterday.

He is Lieutenant (j.g.) Dieter Dengler, 23, who gave his home address as Pacifica until June, 1963, when he entered the Naval Air Cadet program by way of the Alameda Naval Air Station.

The Defense Department immediately dropped a lid of security on Dengler's whereabouts. One source said he was believed to be at Travis Air Force base, where he is now receiving medical treatment and debriefing.

### TRANSFER

Another source said it was planned that Dengler would be transferred to the Oakland Naval Hospital.

Officials at Travis Air Force Base, the 12th Naval District here, and at the Department of Defense in Washington, D.C., all declined comment.

However, United Press said it had learned the following details of Dengler's escape:

The pilot had been held in a

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prison camp north of Vinh, about 150 miles north of the border between North and South Vietnam. In the five months after his capture in February he lost about 40 pounds on a meager diet of plain rice.

Dengler, another Air Force pilot, escaped from the camp and made their way south through jungles, swamps and rice fields, hiding in the daytime and traveling at night. Finally a Communist search party caught up with them. Dengler managed to hide but the other officer was caught.

From his hiding place, the horrified pilot saw one of the captors raise a two-handed sword and behead the American airman, according to the United Press account.

After the Communists went away, Dengler went on day after day. His shoes were worn out. He struggled barefoot through a valley in the rugged hill country, just north of the border at the 17th parallel.

### PLANE

The 23rd day after his escape, he saw an Air Force fighter flying through the remote valley and waved a crude white flag.

The plane saw the crude SOS he had spelled out with rocks in a jungle clearing. An hour and a half passed and he heard the flutter of a twin-engine helicopter.

The haggard and dazed pilot, a scarecrow in tattered black pajamas, stumbled to the helicopter. Unable to stand, almost incoherent from shock, crying, he hugged the legs of a helicopter crewman.

"Thank God, thank God," was all he could say.

### HOSPITAL

He was taken to a hospital in Da Nang and last Friday the Defense Department announced that one of the 64 pilots in captivity had escaped.

Dengler's identity was withheld until yesterday after his brother, Martin Dengler, 25, of 444 Lynbrook drive in Pacifica, had been told of his escape.

Neighbors said yesterday that Martin Dengler and his wife left for Travis Air Force Base on Tuesday night.

### STUDENT

While the Defense Department refused to say it, Dengler is believed to be the first American to escape from the North Vietnamese, although a handful have escaped from the Viet Cong.

Dengler was remembered as a "gung ho" student at City College by Joseph A. Amori, director of Student

Graduate Placement there.

Dengler spent about a year at City College, Amori said, where he showed an intense interest in aeronautics.

"He came here after he got out of the Air Force, in 1961, where he'd put in a four-year hitch as an Airman Second Class."

Dengler later attended the College of San Mateo, where he was graduated in 1963 with a degree in aeronautics.

A spokesman said Dengler came to America in early 1957 from Wildberg, Germany. His father was killed in World War II and his mother, Maria Dengler, said she had prayed her son would escape after learning he had been shot down.

Military spokesmen said Dengler was shot down over North Vietnam about six months ago and had been in captivity for five months.

He apparently lived on a diet of roots and anything else edible during the estimated 23 days it took him from the time he escaped until he was spotted by accident by the rescue helicopter.

He was believed to have been attached to the attack aircraft carrier Ranger at the time he was captured.

He was commissioned an ensign in 1964 after taking flight training at Pensacola, Fla., and the Naval Air Station at Corpus Christi, Tex. He holds the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal.



# Surgical Drama on A Rolling Warship

"Earlier in the cruise the ship's rolling would have bothered us. But by this time we were used to it. Every few minutes there was a catapult jolt. We just worked."

Lt. Cmdr. Joseph Farrell, the young ship's surgeon of the aircraft carrier Hancock, sat quietly at Oakland Naval Hospital yesterday and matter-of-factly described the shipboard operation that saved the life and the arm of the sailor who sat beside him.

The sailor was 20-year-old Seaman James H. Wolff of Portland, Ore.

## LOADING SUPPLIES

On May 13 the Hancock was in the South China Sea launching air raids against North Vietnam, and was taking on new ammunition supplies. Wolff wrapped a rope around his right arm and used it to guide a winding winch cable. The rope caught in the winch and all but pulled Wolff's arm from his body.

"It was only held on," said Farrell, "by a three-inch piece of skin and three small muscles in back."

Farrell credited a shipmate with saving Wolff's life. Seaman William H. Arnold, now a boatswain's mate third class, rushed to Wolff and pinched shut a spurting artery.

"When we got him he'd lost about five pints of blood," Farrell recalled. "We tried to save his arm. But Arnold probably saved his life."

## 6 PINTS OF BLOOD

Before attempting surgery, Farrell had six pints of blood, furnished by shipmates pumped into Wolff, who was in shock. A saline solution was pumped through the vessels of the severed arm, to clean out any clots that might have developed.

Farrell looked at Wolff's shoulder and arm. "I felt we'd give it a chance," he said. "With me in the sick bay were two flight surgeons and two medical corpsmen, and the flight surgeons said the only thing to do was amputate."

Amputation, Farrell hoped, could be avoided. He said yesterday he had remembered some of the philosophy of Houston surgeon Michael DeBakey and repeated it to the men with him in the sick bay. "We'll have many chances to cut the arm off if we must, but we've only got one chance to put it back on."

In the hours that followed ensued one of the dramatic operations of medical history. Farrell managed to implant the arm in its socket, repair the torn muscles, link the ripped blood vessels and reset broken bones, as



LT. CMDR. JOSEPH FARRELL AND PATIENT  
Surgeon (left) visits Seaman James H. Wolff

well as sew together the loose flaps of skin.

It was the fourth such operation in history to be successful; it was the first such successful operation aboard ship.

## BASIC SURGERY

"I know it sounds dramatic and I guess it is when you think about the whole thing, but it really wasn't dramatic," said Farrell. "It was just using the basics. A suture is a suture. We just had more of them."

Muscles had been torn irregularly, and Farrell had to match torn ends in order to determine where to suture. Finally came the resetting of the broken collarbone and the replacement of the arm. "We couldn't repair the nerve breaks," he said. "We had to simply lay the nerves in place."

## HEALING BEGINS

Six days later, Farrell reported, "The arm remains warm and pink all the way to the fingertips. No complications are present and healing is progressing."

Two weeks later Wolff was well enough to be flown to the United States and brought to Oakland, where the Navy maintains a neurological treatment facility. On July 22 Wolff underwent surgery for the rejoining of the severed nerves.

Today he's still recovering and has no sense of touch in the arm. He feels an occasional throb, but doctors say as long as two years may elapse before the nerves regenerate—if they

regenerate. They are hopeful, and read the throbs as good signs.

## 'LOOKS GREAT'

With the Hancock now at Alameda Naval Air Station, Farrell went to see Wolff yesterday for the first time since the young seaman was taken off the ship.

"Jim looks great," said Farrell. "He really does."

There for the reunion also were Farrell's wife and Wolff's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Wolff, of Portland. The Wolffs have been staying in the area since their son was brought here.

Young Wolff worries about his arm, but he is eager to be active once again. He is due for discharge from Navy Reserve active duty next year, and he wants to go to Portland Community College.

"I'm a rockhounding type and I'll probably take geology. I'm reading all the literature I can to get my rusty gears going again," he said.

## 11 MORE MONTHS

Farrell, a 30-year-old surgeon, has been in the Navy for 13 months and has 11 more months to go before discharge. His home is in Paterson, N.J., and he went into the Navy after surgical residence at St. Vincent's Hospital in New York City.

It was his training under Dr. Louis Rousselot, chief of surgery at St. Vincent's and one of the nation's outstanding vascular specialists, said Farrell, that made him feel he could attempt to restore Wolff's arm.

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## 'I Want to Fly Again'

# A Never-Say-Die Pilot

By Maitland Zane

A pilot who gave his right arm for his country said yesterday he wants to keep on flying as long as the Navy will have him.

Commander Wynn Foster, 39, met the press at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland where he is recuperating from the loss of his arm in a raid on North Vietnam oil installations July 23.

Flanking him were his wife Marilyn and his mother, Mrs. Winifred S. Foster, widow of a doctor who spent his career caring for Indians on reservations in Arizona and New Mexico.

Commander Foster spent a couple of years as a seaman at the end of World War II, then went back in the Navy in 1949 after graduating from the University of Minnesota, and has been a career pilot ever since.

## MISSIONS

He flew 75 missions as a jet pilot over Korea, and in two tours of duty in Vietnam flew another 160 missions, including bombing Haiphong's oil refineries.

As commanding officer of Attack Squadron 163 on the carrier Oriskany, he was leading four Skyhawks on a raid on oil dumps at Vinh, 120 miles south of Haiphong the morning of July 23.

He and his wingman never reached the target.

When he was about two minutes away from Vinh, a 57 mm. anti-aircraft shell ripped through the right side of his small single-seat jet bomber, taking off his right forearm and most of the plexiglass canopy.

"My wingman was a new boy—it was only his second



Commander Wynn Foster relaxed in the hospital with his wife and mother yesterday

combat mission—and when I got hit I told him to clear out."

"When I realized I was minus my right arm I knew I had to get to friendly hands as soon as possible, so I headed for the nearest friendly—this was a destroyer cruising in the Gulf of Tonkin about 20 miles away."

"The two of us jettisoned our bombs—I was carrying about 3000 pounds of high explosives—and we turned around and headed out to sea, ducking and dodging flak."

"I wasn't conscious of bleeding, and there wasn't any pain, but I realized I must be losing blood rapidly. So between handling the plane and the navigation aids and everything with my left hand I'd reach up and squeeze my arm like a tourniquet."

"I was in the air five to seven minutes, then came down through a cloud cover and there was the destroyer—the prettiest sight in the world!"

He ejected, seat and all, and when his parachute opened, "I was floating down toward the beautiful blue water, with white clouds over-

head. The war was a million miles away, it was so quiet and peaceful."

It took only about 10 to 12 minutes for a whaleboat from the destroyer to pick him up. He gave a sailor instructions on how to give him a shot from a morphine syrette—but then the sailor threw the syrette overboard and he had to run through the directions a second time!

That day his tattered arm was amputated aboard the Oriskany. Before being evacuated to the U.S. he was awarded the Silver Star and Purple Heart. He has been recommended for the Distinguished Flying Cross, and he already holds 16 Air Medals.

## STATUS

Foster, who is based in Le-moore near Fresno, with his wife, and three children, Corinne, 15, Scott, 12, and Amy, 6, says he "very definitely wants to retain his flight status—I'll stay in as long as the Navy will have me."

Asked what he thought about his role in the Vietnam war, he said:

"I'm a professional, and this is my job. The military is an extension of national policy, and we do what we're needed to do."

Said his wife, "I'm so grateful he's come back. I'm so lucky he's alive."



# The Ladies and The Leathernecks

By BEA NYBURG

"There's a wonderful uplift you get from being with brave men."

The brave men are the wounded Marines and sailors, returned from Viet Nam and recuperating at Oakland's Oak Knoll Naval Hospital.

**THE SPEAKER** is the Baroness Ella van Heemstra who now lives in San Francisco. For the past two months she has been an unofficial bearer of good will and gifts to the Viet Nam veterans at Oak Knoll.

The Baroness, mother of actress Audrey Hepburn, visits the hospital once or twice a week with a San Francisco acquaintance, Mrs. Charles L. Banks. Together the women have made friends with all the Viet Nam patients, learning what they needed at the wards.

Television sets, electric razors, barbecues, hobby kits, ironing boards, books, a croquet set, a washing machine, lawn chairs . . . the list of things the Baroness has helped provide goes on and on.

**BUT THE** Baroness is modest about her work and her daughter's financial contributions, which have made possible most of the gifts for the men.

When asked about Audrey's generosity, the Baroness dismisses the question with a brief, "Audrey sent me a check as soon as she heard about my work."

Besides helping to provide material goods, the Baroness and Mrs. Banks have organized several weekend outings for the men, ranging from small luncheons to Bay cruises on a private yacht.

**THE BARONESS** and Mrs. Banks are not members of an organization; their Oak Knoll work is just something they wanted to do. As Mrs. Banks describes it, "It's the kind of thing friends hear about and want to help with."

Mrs. Banks began visiting the hospital last winter with her husband, retired Marine Brig. Gen. Charles L. Banks. Soon she had several San Francisco friends interested in visiting the men, including the Baroness.

Mrs. Banks estimates about 25 friends are now entertaining Oak Knoll patients in their homes or assisting the men in some other way.

There's Jean Copp of San Francisco, for instance. A State Department employee, she has arranged free tickets for the men to the Ice Follies, Giants' baseball games and the San Francisco Pops Concerts. (Her State Department job has nothing to do with her Oak Knoll work.)

**THEN THERE'S** the Baroness's florist. By himself he collected enough money to donate a television set to one of the hospital wards.

Dan London, owner of San Francisco's St. Francis Hotel, has lent his yacht, The Adventuress, to the men for Bay cruises.

Perhaps the most appreciated thing the friends have done is to open their homes to the men on week ends.

"Just to get out of that dreary place is great for the men. One of the most important things for the boys to realize is that someone cares they are there," Mrs. Banks explained.

There are approximately 100 Viet Nam veterans at Oak Knoll now, and hospital officials expect the number of wounded men to go up and up. Mrs. Banks' reaction to the increase? "We'll just have to do more."

**MRS. BANKS** and the Baroness insist that what they are "putting in" at Oak Knoll is much less than what they are "getting out."

Having lived through the German occupation of her native Netherlands in World War II, the Baroness feels that anything she can do for America would only be in payment of her debt to this country.

"I am so grateful for the things America did for me when I lived in Europe, and now that I'm living here I am glad to have a chance to do something for these Marines," she said.

**THE SPIRIT** of the hospitalized men is what impressed Mrs. Banks.

"They have a remarkable attitude towards the whole ordeal. I've yet to encounter anyone bitter, anyone with a 'why did this have to happen to me?' attitude."

The only complaint the Baroness and Mrs. Banks have about their work is that few people from Oakland and other East Bay cities are involved in it.



Tribune photos by Russ Reed

LANCE CPL. JAMES GATTO, BARONESS VAN HEEMSTRA, CPL. JOHN MULNEAUX AND MISS JEAN COPP . . . patients and visitors enjoy a walk around the hospital grounds

## If You Want To Help . . .

People to visit the Viet Nam wounded, families to open their homes to the men on weekends, people to read to the men with eyes injuries, drivers to take the patients to and from dinners and parties on the weekends — the number of people needed at Oak Knoll hospital is unlimited. The only restriction regarding who may help at the hospital was made by

Mrs. Charles L. Banks. "We don't want anyone who doesn't have his heart in it."

Those interested are invited to call Mrs. Banks at 751-7783. People unable to help in person might contact Mrs. Banks to learn what things the men need. So far their wants have ranged from the very small to the large, from coffee mugs to a washing machine.

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The Baroness van Heemstra talks with Marine Lance Corporal, Michael P. Neeley about his home in Flint, Michigan. His heavy cast and bandages illustrate a problem facing many of the wounded men—keeping cool in warm summer weather. The Baroness is collecting electric fans, and donations are welcome.

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*Bill Fiset*  
... Man Alive ...

### Pick Your Friends Clean

A huge postage stamp exhibit will be held by the East Bay Collectors Club Saturday and Sunday at the Garden Center in Lakeside Park (near Fairyland), and from George Williamson: "I hope it isn't windy!" . . . A beagle with a game leg has become the mascot of men in Wards 47 and 49 at Oakland Naval Hospital (they've named him "Chester," a la Gunsmoke) and the guys are chipping in to pay for — the dog's surgery . . .



## Bill Fiset

... Man Alive ...

Now a word about lady bowlers, and I confess I'd always thought of them as having one shoulder lower than the other (from lugging heavy bowling balls), one hand bigger than the other, members of a sorority that hung out in alleys. Besides, I'd never seen an attractive bowling shirt (except one a bridegroom wore at a Daly City wedding once) and figured women are much better on a golf course than bowling. I'm prepared to take back everything. A couple of weeks ago I mentioned that Viet Nam vets at Oakland Naval Hospital needed a few TV sets and some lawn furniture and who responded? The California Women's Bowling Association, which bought 20 brand new TV sets, 12 chaise lounges, 20 garden chairs and five umbrella tables, and bless their little hearts. May none of them ever slide across the foul line in their low-heeled bowling shoes.

And about the hospital, I guess you know a Marine Corps captain doing liaison work there is named—Gary Cooper. He's setting up a giant Hawaiian luau for the patients (some 700 will attend) on the hospital grounds Aug. 28 and stores and outfits are contributing about everything. Alameda County supervisors heard they wanted three pigs, but pigs raised by the county can't be sold off. The supervisors deftly declared them surplus, set a price of \$5 on the three, coughed up the \$5 themselves and the guys get the pigs. Who says pork prices are high? From Gary Cooper: "The only thing we still need is a cord of firewood."

## Bill Fiset

... Man Alive ...

Judge Charles Fisher (who's now retired) told the Oakland Lions Club that some poor appointments to the bench since 1958 are partly responsible for crime increases. He got—a standing ovation . . . Ann Corneille, the pretty Oakland School Board member, is sitting in the Oakland Airport lounge with her husband, Walt, and they start talking to a clean-cut man about 40. He's just enlisted in the Marines. At THAT age? "Well," the guy says, "I first enlisted at 16 and was in World War II. Then I was in the Korean war and then served in Viet Nam. I got out and went back to college in Virginia, but after seeing the beatniks and protests I decided I'd rather go back to Viet Nam—which is where I'm headed now" . . . About Viet Nam, at Oakland Naval Hospital a Marine is in Ward 76-B with a shattered heel from a grenade. He just got the happy news that doctors will have him fixed up as good as new. So the Marine just sent in—a request to go back to Viet Nam.



**FLEET RESERVE**—National officers of both the Fleet Reserve Association and its Ladies Auxiliary were among dignitaries present for the convention yesterday at the Edgewater Inn. They included, for the Auxiliary, Mrs. Frances Dailey, national vice president (from left, in photo at left), and Mrs. Margaret Dion,

vice president, with Mrs. Lillian Basas, president of Unit 10 (left in photo at right), Ed Keeley, past national president; F. E. McCulley, president of West Coast region; Adm. Harold J. Cokely, Medical Corps; Ed King, national president.

## Beauty Queens Visit Sailor



**NAVY FIREMAN MIKE Hammer** of Gladewater, Texas, collects the autographs of a few South County beauty queens during their recent visit to the Oakland Naval Hospital. They are, left to right: Pat Wood-

ward, Miss Livermore Valley; Georgia Thomas, Maid of Dublin; Sandy Graver, Maid of Alameda County and Maid of Livermore; and Christine Phillips, Maid of Pleasanton

## ON THE SOCIAL SIDE

Donal Ruth Robison  
Women's Page Editor  
Joan Agar  
Women's Feature Editor

## Valley Beauties Visit Patients In Naval Hospital

Wearing a Marine uniform with short skirt and white boots "Miss Livermore Valley"—21-year-old Pat Woodward performed for patients at Oakland Naval Hospital last week. She has been visiting Viet Nam casualties there regularly for several months.

The brown-eyed brunette, who previously held the titles of "Maid of Pleasanton" and "Maid of Alameda County," did an authentic precision drill taught to her by her father, who was an award-winning drill team instructor at San Diego and Long Beach during his service in the Navy. His drill team appeared with All-Navy Talent Contest winners on the Ed Sullivan show in 1963.

Now a junior at Cal State College, Hayward, Pat is majoring in English and hopes to become an elementary teacher. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell H. Woodward, live at 4084 Graham Street, Pleasanton. The for-

mer navy man is now a radar electrician at Todd Shipyard in Alameda.

Accompanying Miss Livermore Valley on her visit to the hospital were three other titled young beauties from Southern Alameda County. They are:

Sandy Graver, 18, "Maid of Alameda County" and "Maid of Livermore," who will enter Chabot College in September. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore F. Graver, 1273 Juniper, Livermore.

Christine Phillips, 17, "Maid of Pleasanton," a senior at Amador High School, Pleasanton. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Phillips, 165 Happy Valley Road, Pleasanton.

Georgia Thomas, 18, "Maid of Dublin," who will enter U. C. at Santa Barbara in the fall. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Thomas, 11590 Reilly Court, Dublin.



## Military Wives

### They're Home And Safe

By BILLYE WHORTON

"They also serve who only stand and wait."

John Milton didn't have military wives in mind when he wrote those words in his poem on his blindness but the thought is applicable to the young wives whose husbands are fighting in Viet Nam.

Two local women "on leave" from the fears and worries of having a husband overseas, are Mrs. Robert Colbert of Joaquin Avenue, San Leandro and Mrs. Ernest Alton Rich III of 165th Avenue, also of that city.

Their fear—not the worst one—has been realized, their husbands were wounded and sent to Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland for treatment.

**THE YOUNG FAMILIES'** futures are a little hazy because of the men's wounds. But the most immediate and important fact is that they are home and safe. Both men say they would go back and fight again. (Their wives, however, are not enthusiastic about the idea.)

"The worrying just about killed me," said Mrs. Colbert, wife of Marine Sgt. Colbert, speaking about the period her husband was in Viet Nam. She doesn't have to worry any more that Robert will be sent

back into battle. His run-in with a grenade effectively prevented that by seriously damaging his hands and inflicting a head wound that paralyzed his left side.

**NOW AT HOME** with his family, he spends his days at the hospital receiving therapeutic treatment. The family spends its spare time hunting for a house with no stairs so Robert can navigate his wheel chair (big enough to accommodate the four children, Rochilla, 7, Lovey, 4, Madonna, 3 and Robert Jr., 8 months).

Robert was a career Marine, but his injuries will bring a medical discharge or retirement.

Alton, a Marine corporal, is sure that it was worth stepping on that land mine. Besides, he was sent home a week before his wife entered Oak Knoll to give birth to their son, Ernest Alton Rich IV. The three live in a San Leandro apartment although the infant spent extra weeks in the hospital undergoing corrective surgery on an overdeveloped stomach muscle.

**THE YOUNG MAN'S** "million dollar wound" as he refers to it, also enabled him and his wife to take the honeymoon they missed when they were first married. "When you're with the Marines you

do things like that (honeymoon) when you get a chance. They don't allocate time for it," Alton remarked.

Alton also had planned a career in the service.

The young couple, both born and raised in this area, are spending their time visiting friends and family who also are glad to have Alton back. "Gosh," said his mother, Mrs. E. R. Rich Jr. of Fremont, "I'm so glad to have him home. I just knew when he left that something would happen to him."

**EXTREMELY HAPPY** to be home to "bug" his wife, the veteran still thinks back to the battle in Viet Nam.

"Those people are looking to us for help," he said. "But theirs is a hard decision. The communists come to their village and tell them to fight or their families will be killed. It isn't much of a choice. They aren't very strong fighters, but they are out there and that is the Communist's main purpose." He concluded, "But the people don't want war in their land."

"I was scared while he was away," admitted his dark-haired young wife. "I would write every day, but I sometimes had to wait weeks for letters, because he couldn't write."

She has served her time of waiting.



—Daily Review Photos by Al Silva

IN SPITE OF WILLINGNESS, HE WON'T FIGHT AGAIN  
Sgt. And Mrs. Robert Colbert, Robert Jr. And Madonna

## Women's World

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HE GOT HOME JUST IN TIME TO WELCOME SON INTO WORLD  
Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Alton Rich III And Son

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### The Largest Luau Ever In Oakland

Bay Area residents from Hawaii will hold "the largest Hawaiian Luau ever held here" Sunday August 28 at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland to lift the spirits of servicemen recuperating from injuries suffered in Vietnam.

Business firms throughout the area have donated food and beverage for the affair, scheduled from 2 through 6 p.m. at the hospital's picnic area.

A 300-pound pig, donated by Leisure World of Los Angeles and flown here by the Flying Tiger Line, is set to arrive at San Francisco International Airport at 1:15 p.m. today.

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## Hospital Luau To Honor Viet Wounded

By CAROL SUGHRUE

How much is a leg worth? Or how do you thank a young man for giving up an arm for you?

You can't compute the value of either, of course, but because a couple of Fremont people wanted to give something more than patriotic lip service to wounded Viet Nam veterans, the Oak Knoll Naval Hospital will bask in the hospitality and excitement of a gigantic luau Aug. 28.

The guests of honor will be hundreds of shaken but courageous Viet Nam war veterans who are trying to piece together a full life with something less than full bodies—their particular "price for freedom."

**THE LUAU**, originally arranged for by Mrs. Nickie Hines of 3843 Mission View Drive to take care of about 75 to 125 patients and hospital workers at Oak Knoll, has now ballooned into a huge feast for about 700

persons, including other wounded vets from Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco and from the naval hospital on Treasure Island.

It all started three months ago, according to Mrs. Hines, who besides being a gifted Hawaiian entertainer, doubles as the deputy clerk of Fremont Municipal Court, when fellow townsman Charles Adams asked her to entertain some Oak Knoll patients, one of whom was a relative of Adams.

Being a native Hawaiian with a flair for the guitar and hula, and having a few friends with similar talents, Mrs. Hines gladly accepted. The entertainers were a smash, but the broken bodies and saddened faces they saw did something to the troupe's organizer.

**"SOMETHING HAD** to be done," she said. "Our boys are dying for us in Viet Nam, but you don't need to have a son

or a brother, or a sweetheart there before you have to do something. The responsibility belongs to all of us.

"They are fighting for people they don't know, me and my family. If we can do something to make them happier it's good enough."

After the hit show, the veterans asked for more. Marine Corps liaison officer at the hospital, Capt. Gary Cooper struck upon the idea of a "small luau" for the men and asked

Mrs. Hines if she could put one together for about 75 men.

**THEN THE IDEA** caught on and neither Cooper, Mrs. Hines, Harlan Peterman of Fremont, from the Oakland naval supply center, who is the food chairman, nor any of their many helpers has been able to catch up with it.

Thanks to the aid of Public Information Officer Capt. Ed

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### Luau Honors War Vets

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ward Anderson of the Hawaiian National Guard, the people of Hawaii have been asked for authentic Polynesian food contributions. The food will be flown into Alameda Naval Air Station a few days before the big event.

The menu, fresh from the Islands, will include native pineapple, coconuts, seaweed, yams, ahi, luau chicken, salmon and roast pig. Much of it has been donated by Bay Area firms.

**IN FACT**, the pig—or five of them to be exact—were ruled "surplus goods" by the Alameda County Board of Supervisors and purchased from the county rehabilitation center by the supervisors, for \$1 each, for donation to the menu.

Since then, dozens of entertainers have volunteered their services and Capt. Cooper has lined up some appropriate feminine participants for waitress duty, although more—between the ages of 18 and 30—are needed.

Little else is needed for the luau, but more will be required before some of the men's bodies are mended.



## Poi, Other Items Needed for Luau

Last-minute contributions of poi and several other items are needed to complete the menu for a luau being prepared for Sunday by former Islanders living in the San Francisco Bay area for 700 combat patients in two military hospitals.

Capt. Eddie Anderson of the Hawaii National Guard, coordinating efforts to obtain the luau fare, is short 150 pounds of poi, two gallons of opihī, four bags of taro tops, 100 pounds of salt salmon, 10 gallons of frozen coconut milk, 100 pounds of aku and two gallons of limu.

Contributors can reach him at 701-711 during the day or at 982-061 evenings. Already kalua pigs, frying chickens, sweet potatoes, beer, and carnations for approximately 700 leis have been contributed by Mainland businesses and individuals.

Guests will be combat veterans, many of them amputees, from the Naval Hospital in Oakland and the Army's Letterman General Hospital at the Presidio in

San Francisco.

A Navy plane from VR-21 at Barber's Point will leave here at 6 p.m. Friday on a routine mission to Oakland, where it is due to arrive at 8 a.m. Saturday.

Santa Ana Register, Santa Ana, Calif.

## Leisure World Sends Pig To Hospital Luau

Getting a 300-pound pig to volunteer as "guest of honor" at a luau isn't easy.

Since there were no volunteers, the logical people to call were the U.S. Marines—who landed second, for the first time in their history.

The luau will swing into action Sunday, for about 900 patients at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Oakland. Another 100 patients from Letterman Hospital, San Francisco have been invited.

"Operation Find Pig" was turned over to officials of Leisure World Foundation. It happened that Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Fairchild, 6242 Lincoln, Cypress, had such a pig. They volunteered their pig, named him "Lt. Pugnose," and Leisure World and Marine Corps officials gathered around the new lieutenant in admiration.

They built a crate so Lt. Pugnose could take his first (and last) flight in style. But there was a slight hitch. A military regulation says livestock can not be transported on routine training flights.

"Too bad," snorted Lt. Pugnose, and plumped on his side for a nap.

The Flying Tiger Airlines stepped into the picture. "No problem," their officials said, and deposited the pig at San Francisco Airport.

Servicemen wounded in Viet Nam will have their luau. Local merchants in the Oakland area have volunteered the other "necessities," including chickens, pastries and vegetables. And from Hawaii, the navy is flying in fresh fruit, flowers and entertainers.

Lt. Pugnose will have a great—if a hot—time.

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## Fremont Marine Pays High Price In Viet Nam; Future Uncertain

By CAROL SUGHRUE

When Clarence "Chris" Lewis of Fremont tells how he lost his leg in Viet Nam, he relates the story as if he is describing a book he just read — no self-consciousness, no pity, only slight pride.

His unit was hit by surprise in the middle of the night by the Viet Cong. At the time Marine Pfc. Lewis was sleeping, but he awoke suddenly.

LEWIS LOOKED out the window of his bunker, a protective box-like hut used in modern warfare against grenades and heavy mortar rounds.

He saw the Viet Cong. He loaded a machine gun and was about to load another when a VC grenade came through the window. It exploded beneath him.

He tried to crawl over to where his buddy was firing at the enemy. Another grenade went off and the force of the explosion made Lewis roll over and over in the dirt in the bunker.

He was still conscious and he put his hand down to touch his leg. He felt only blood and torn fragments of what once was his leg.

LEWIS LAID THERE and shouted to one of his buddies: "Bowlin, I've lost my leg! Come here and put a tourniquet on it!" His buddy answered "Okay!" But, as he turned to help Lewis, another grenade or mortar round went off outside and threw him all the way across the room.

Lewis called for his buddy, but there was no answer. He was dead. And so were the other two men in his unit.

Lewis, still fully conscious, heard the Viet Cong talking outside. He heard them enter the bunker, and there was only one thing to do — play dead. The Viet Cong entered with the purpose of killing all wounded.

HE HEARD THE Viet Cong walk beside him, and knew they



Argus Photo by Jim Wilson

MARINE PFC. CHRIS LEWIS PONDER'S FUTURE  
Naval Nurse Susan Klop Dresses Remainder Of His Leg

were looking at him. After what seemed a lifetime, the enemy suddenly left the bunker, with the Fremont marine still hoping for help.

It was less than half an hour from the time Lewis was hit to the time he was found by the marines and placed in a hospital at Da Nang.

Lewis may never know how many enemy soldiers attacked his unit that night, but military officials estimated there were about 80. They also estimated that about five Americans were killed and 12 Americans wounded, and that 48 Viet Cong were killed, he said.

The wounded private didn't

just lose his leg, he also suffered deafness and fractures of his left leg. His right leg, blown off above the knee, was amputated.

"IT'S REALLY SOMETHING that I still have my life," Lewis said. "And I'm lucky I still have my other leg — even though it's damaged."

"I don't regret it at all. I feel I've lost my leg for a good cause. I knew what I was doing when I signed the papers to join the Marines."

Lewis will be fitted with an artificial leg, and the 20-year-old soldier says the sooner the better. Although he is currently

at Oak Knoll hospital and has been there four months, his right leg hasn't sufficiently healed for the artificial leg.

A relatively new process is being used at Oak Knoll, where the artificial leg is applied, even before the wound has completely healed.

IT'S FAIRLY PAINFUL, but serves a dual purpose. The skin around the amputated limb toughens up and the morale of the individual is higher. What Lewis desires most is to walk — whether it's painful or not.

First the amputated leg is

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## Fremont Marine Pays Price

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fitted with a cast, which includes an extension for a pole. The artificial foot is attached to the pole.

This device teaches an amputee how to walk in a very stiff fashion. The amputees practice from after breakfast until lunch,

and after lunch until about 3:30 p.m.

AFTER THIS, THEY fit the amputees with a leg that has a hinge joint in the knee. They learn to keep the upper part of the leg stiff and throw the other part out.

Artificial legs have been developed that look exactly like a human leg. They make them the same height as the other leg, and they even have what looks like a calf.

"I've seen people with artificial legs, and sometimes you can't tell they have them," Lewis said. "They walk perfectly. I feel that now I want to walk bad enough that I will be able to walk just the same as before."

Lewis said the morale in the amputee ward is extremely high.

"If someone comes back from Viet Nam and they start feeling sorry for themselves," he said, "The men in the ward just tell him to be quiet."

A LOT OF kidding goes on with the amputees, "just joking around" Lewis said. "But we don't mind it a bit."

He said his wife, Linda, whom he described as a "very strong person," was glad that Lewis came home alive, despite injuries.

"It's really nice having my wife to come home to," he said.

Lewis has full faith in the future, and plans to go back to school and become a veterinarian.

After he is well enough, he will live with his wife at 103 Action Court, Fremont.

Oakland Tribune Wed., Aug. 24, 1966



## But What's Ahead?

This 300-pound hog doesn't know it but he's destined to be the main course at a giant Hawaiian luau to be held Sunday for Viet Nam combat veterans at the Oakland Naval Hospital. On hand to greet the squealing porker on its arrival at San Francisco Airport was Marine Private First Class Jose E. Bustamante, 19, of San Francisco, who was shot in the leg by a Viet Cong sniper. Bustamante in turn was greeted by a very pretty Flying Tiger Lines hostess, Miss Del Stoller.

Honolulu Star Bulletin

## Luau food being flown to Mainland

The last of more than 3,300 pounds of Hawaiian foods and decorative materials is being flown to California today for a luau for Viet Nam casualties.

The authentic Hawaiian material is being taken by the Fleet Tactical Support Squadron 21 to the Oak Knoll Naval Hospital at Oakland for more than 800 persons expected at the party tomorrow.

Patients from the Army's Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco will attend the luau, says Captain Eddie Anderson of the Hawaii National Guard which helped collect the materials from Hawaii.

Individual donor and Hawaii business firms sent such items as pineapples, coconuts and coconut milk, poi, taro and taro tops, opihī, aku, salt salmon, Hawaiian salt, ti leaves, limu, kōhu and orchids.

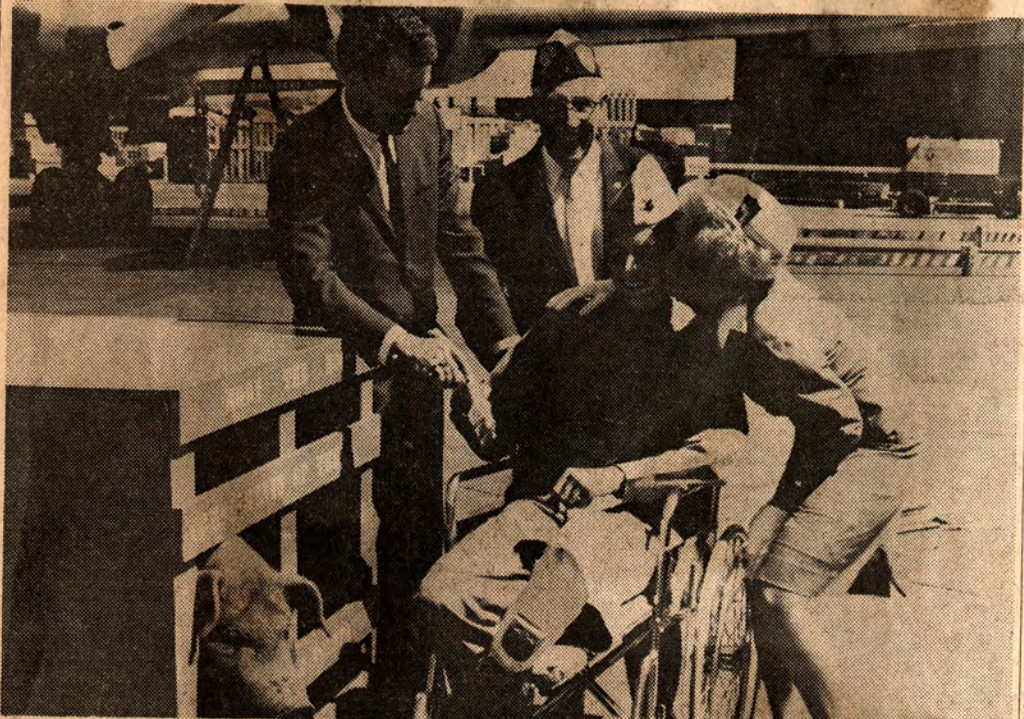
"This is the true spirit of 'Aloha' which will mean much to the patients in California," Anderson said.



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## The Sweet and Luau



Bound for the largest Hawaiian luau ever to be staged in the Bay Area is "Hody the Hag," a 375-lb. porker welcomed to San Francisco International Airport by Marine Pfc. Jose E. Bustamante, a combat casualty recuperating at U.S. Naval Hospital in Oakland. Bustamante in turn bussed by stewardess Del Stoller of Sherman Oaks. The luau

will be at the Naval hospital at 2 p.m. Sunday in honor of combat casualties from the Bay area. "Hody" was donated for the event by the Leisure World Foundation of Los Angeles. Greeting Bustamante are Commander George H. Everest of VFW Post 937, Walnut Creek, and Robert F. Dussault of the foundation.

Berkeley Gazette, August 18

What is probably the largest Hawaiian Luau ever held in the Bay Area will take place at the Oakland Naval Hospital at Oak Knoll next Sunday, Aug. 28. It started as a wish by Bay Area residents from Hawaii "to do something" for Navy and Marine Corps patient recovering from wounds incurred at Viet Nam and has grown into a tremendous outpouring of goodwill and appreciation.

Combat casualties under treatment at the Army's Letterman Hospital at the Presidio in San Francisco have been invited and it is anticipated between 500 and 700 service men who were wounded in Viet Nam and guests will attend the 2 to 6 p.m. social event at Oak Knoll.

Hearing of the plans, business firms and merchants from throughout the area have donated hundreds of pounds of foodstuffs and gallons of beverages for a hearty luau. Principal ingredient for a luau—roast pig—has been assured. Alameda County has donated three hogs, but the biggest of all, a three-hundred pounder, has been contributed by Leisure World of L.A. and flown up by Flying Tiger Airline to be prepared by the S.F. Packing House of James Allen and Sons.

A great day for a great cause.

Berkeley Gazette, August 25

## Bay Area Luau for Injured Soldiers

A large luau is slated next Sunday at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland to lift the spirits of servicemen recuperating from injuries suffered in Viet Nam.

Bay Area residents from

Hawaii are sponsoring the event. Leisure World of Los Angeles is supplying a 300-pound pig and area business firms have donated food and beverage.

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DAVID JEAN CUSSINS (RIGHT) KEEPS HIS PROMISE TO THE SKIPPER  
El Cerrito sailor, wearing artificial legs, walked aboard the Ranger

## Amputee Keeps Promise To Mates—Walks Aboard

By MIKE MEALEY

David Jean Cussins of El Cerrito made a promise last January to the skipper of the carrier USS Ranger.

He promised that he would walk up the ship's gangplank to shake hands with his buddies.

The promise was made as Cussins, 21, came out of a coma aboard the Ranger to find that both his legs had been sheared

off at the knee in a shipboard accident.

The Ranger came home today after nearly nine months in the Gulf of Tonkin off the coast of Viet Nam.

David Cussins was standing on the dock, a cane in his hand. He was there to keep his promise.

He kept it, too. With the aid of his cane, he mounted the gangplank, then

walked the steep incline to his waiting buddies.

Cussins was greeted by the Ranger's executive officer, Cmdr. Byron Brown, and by a handful of his close friends.

There was no emotion—just a meeting between parted buddies.

The skipper last January, Capt. Leo McCuddin, isn't on the Ranger now. His tour with the carrier ended in April.

It didn't matter to Cussins, though.

He made the promise, and he wanted to see his buddies. He planned on housing some of

## Amputee Greeted His Shipmates

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them at his home, 838 Seaview Drive, El Cerrito, tonight.

Cussins had been aboard the Ranger 15 months when a fuel

line guy-wire on her busy deck snapped last Jan. 19. He was the only man hit by the back-lash, and doesn't remember much after that split-second in which he lost both his legs.

"I was in a coma... I don't know for how long. When I came to, the captain was there.

He made me promise I'd be there today to walk up the gangway."

Cussins, son of cement contractor Roy Cussins, joined the Navy right after graduation from El Cerrito High School. He is awaiting medical discharge now, and is on indefinite leave.

He plans to go back to school, but is unsure what he will study.

He has written his friends aboard the Ranger. They expected him today.

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FLOWERS AND SMILES FOR CORPORAL GARY WARRELL  
The best luau ever for 21-year-old Marine

## Wow of a Luau

About 1000 persons jammed the picnic area at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital yesterday for what had been billed as the "biggest authentic Hawaiian luau ever held on the base."

As things turned out, that was an understatement, at least for 20-year-old Marine Lance Corporal Gary Warrell.

"This beats Hawaii," he said, after receiving a lei and a kiss from 22-year-old Glenda Chisum, a volunteer hostess who

during the week is a secretary at the University of California.

More than 40 Hawaiian dancers performed for the Oak Knoll and Letterman General Hospital patients and their guests.

Refreshments, flowers and food were provided by numerous Bay Area businesses and individuals. About 100 Hawaiian cooks and waitresses donated their time.

The essential ingredi-

ent for a luau, however, is pork—and Leisure World of Los Angeles filled part of the bill by donating a 300-pound hog, which was flown in by Flying Tiger Airlines.

The Alameda County Board of Supervisors helped out, too. They donated three smaller at the county jail at Santa Rita.

Most of the patients attending the luau are being treated for wounds received in combat in Vietnam.





"Naughty Abbie" (extreme left) with wounded vets Kenneth Wilkerson and Julio Schnars. Behind them,

Joan Brenneis, Nurse Bonnie Sklar. Mrs. Brenner is mother of a soldier in Vietnam.

—Examiner photo by Mike Musura

## Wounded Marines Feast 'High on Hog'

By BILL BOLDENWECK  
 Examiner Military Writer

It may not have been the biggest luau in history, but it had to be one of the best.

More than 700 Marine wounded and other patients at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital were guests yesterday at a huge luau on the hospital picnic grounds.

Precisely whose idea the big party was in the first place is a little vague, and it seemed to have just begun. But as the word spread around, suddenly it seemed that everyone was helping in one way or another.

Chuck Adams, a retired Marine who had come to see his son at the hospital after he got hit in Vietnam, was shocked to find there was no entertainment, and began putting together shows to visit the wards on weekends.

Then he got together with Niki Hines and her husband in Fremont, which is the home of several Hawaiian social clubs.

Suddenly there were more than 40 professional and amateur Polynesian entertainers volunteering to go to work in the show.

They scrounged a pig, but as word got around what they were looking for, five hogs turned up, followed closely by 30 kegs of beer from Falstaff, and

more from Lucky Lager.

Flying Tiger Airline flew a hog up from Los Angeles to attend the party, and Hawaiian National Guardsmen and others shipped off a Navy plane load of 4,000 orchids, pineapples, coconuts, poi and other island favorites.

Finally, at midnight Saturday, members of the Hui-to-Holo-Holo Club of Fremont lowered the five pigs into a huge pit and built bonfires over them, cooking for 12 hours before the party began yesterday afternoon.

Many of the guests were on canes and crutches, but the first row of the audience was reserved for men on gurneys, most of them amputees, and those in wheel chairs.

Two men, unable to be

taken from their beds because they were in traction, were loaded into a truck, beds and all, and it was backed into the picnic area so that they had a clear view of the affair.

Finally, at 6 p.m., all hands were herded back to their wards.

Sgt. Shelly Halliburton,

whose trouser legs have been pinned up since he stepped on a Viet Cong land mine in February south of Da Nang, summed it up for most of them. "It was sure nice of them to go to all this trouble," he smiled. "It sure helped break the routine."

## 700 Injured Marines at Giant Party

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — It started out as a small party for marines wounded in Viet Nam, but then it grew into the San Francisco Bay area's biggest luau.

Some 700 wounded marines and other patients from Oak Knoll naval hospital in Oakland and from the army's general hospital in San Francisco were the guests yesterday.

With 100 persons doing the cooking, five hogs were roasted in the traditional Hawaiian style and served. Meanwhile, 40 professional and amateur Polynesian entertainers volunteered their services.

The Hui-O-Holo-Holo Hawaiian Club of nearby Fremont originally had decided to do something in the island manner for military patients and had made plans to entertain about 75 of them outdoors at Oak Knoll.

That was the start. But others kept joining.

The Hawaiian national guard sent a navy plane load of orchids, pineapples, coconuts, poi and other island food.

The Alameda county board of supervisors donated three hogs. Other hogs came from Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pittman of Dixon, Calif., and from Leisure World, a housing development near Los Angeles.

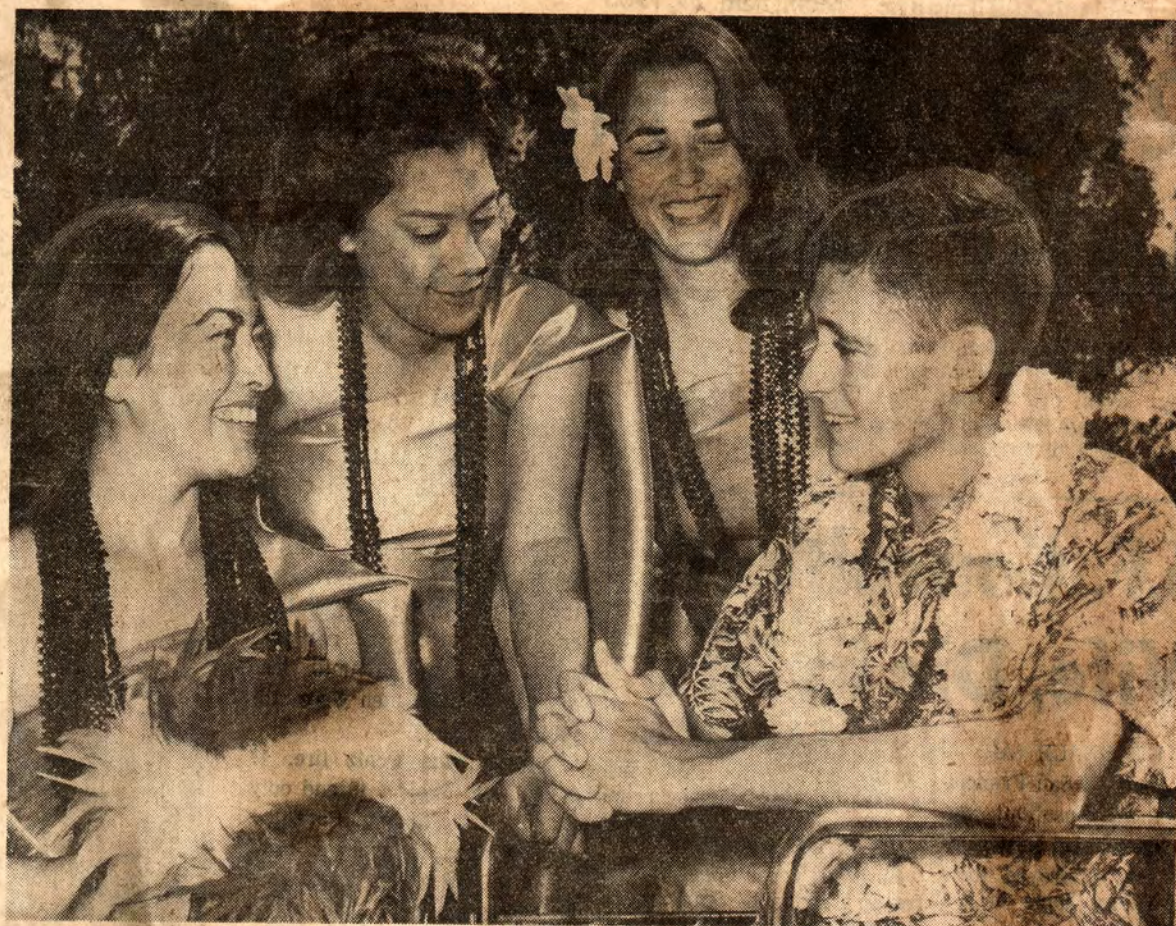
A restaurant donated 500 pottery drinking cups. A San Francisco department store joined with a dentist-turned philanthropist and provided 1,500 shirts for the occasion.

An air freight line flew in one of the hogs for free. Two San Francisco breweries

trucked over keg upon keg of beer.

When it was all over, Rear Adm. Harold J. Cokely, the Oak Knoll commander, said: "The fine response of bay area and Hawaiian firms and individuals has been a heart warming experience to the entire command."

Sgt. Shelly Halliburton, seriously wounded by a Viet Cong land mine, said: "It was sure nice of them to go to all this trouble. It sure helped break the routine."



## Luau Cheers War Wounded



One of the biggest luaus ever held outside of Hawaii brought entertainment, Polynesian food and the warmth of friendship to 700 wounded Marines, sailors and soldiers at Oakland Naval Hospital yesterday. It started as a little party for about 75 hospital patients by the Hui-O-Holo-Holo Hawaiian Club of Fremont, but it grew and grew as others joined them—like the Hawaiian National Guard, which sent a plane load of orchids and island food, Santa Rita Rehabil-

itation Center and others who donated the five hogs used in the barbecue, 100 cooks and waitresses who offered their services, and 40 singers and dancers who offered theirs. Among them were (top, from left) Frances Delp, Leiola Huihui and Marian Aldinger, who chatted with Pte. Tim Votaw of Portland, Ore.; Glenda Chisum, with Don Shumake of Pueblo, Colo., and Bobbie Long, a star among the hula dancers. Letterman Hospital soldiers were brought to party.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Wednesday, September 7, 1966

### Appreciation

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# Wounded Vets Get Hawaiian Treat

## 2,000 Celebrants Have Fun At Luau

By RICH REEB

A Hawaiian luau at the Oak Knoll U.S. Naval Hospital in Oakland yesterday afternoon for Viet Nam casualties from that hospital and Letterman General Army hospital in San Francisco drew well over 2,000 persons including patients, their families and guests.

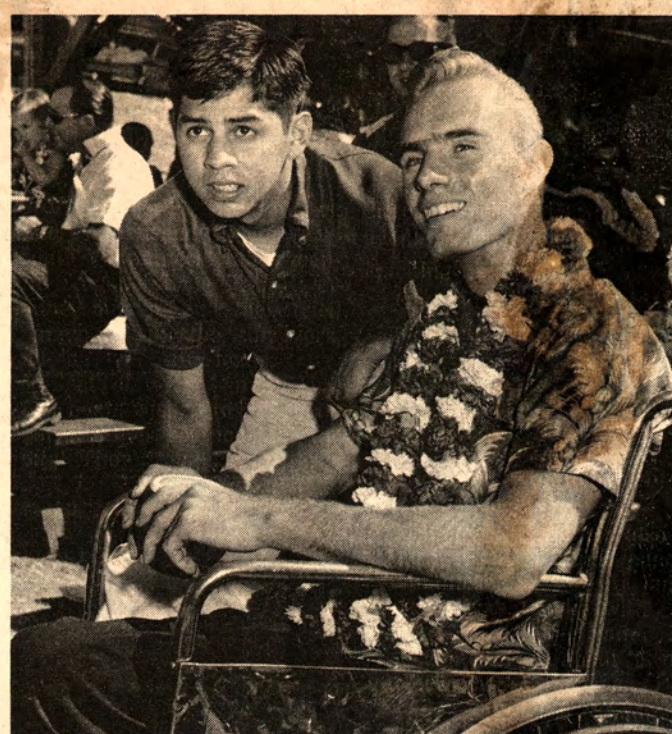
Tables at the hospital picnic area were set up for the able-bodied, and a special area was reserved for those who came in wheelchairs and on gurneys.

The celebration for the approximately 700 patients was the outgrowth of a request of Hawaiian members of the community for suggestions about what they might do to help the wounded from Viet Nam. The luau grew from a small event originally planned for 75 persons but soon mushroomed far beyond the organizers' expectations.

The sparkplugs for the luau were Chuck Adams, a retired marine sergeant from Fremont; Mrs. Niki Hines, a clerk at Fremont municipal court; and Harlan Peterson, chairman of the Hui Ho-Lo Ho-Lo, a Hawaiian club in Fremont. Together with Capt. Gary Cooper, liaison officer at Oak Knoll, the group brought together food, refreshments and entertainment for those who attended.



**HAWAIIAN HOSPITALITY**  
Moralis Hugged By Abbie Sang, left, Niki Hines, of Fremont



**HOSPITAL BUDDIES REUNITED**  
Wounded Marines Richard Moralis, left, Chris Lewis, Fremont

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**THERE'S SOMETHING TO BEING HOSPITALIZED AFTER ALL**  
L/Cpl. Dick Iverson, Fort Collins, Colo., and twins Joan, left, and Jean Cuning, 17, of Oakland

## 2,000 Celebrants Have Fun At Luau

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Adams, 46, who lives at 3166 Baylis St., Fremont, said he has assisted in bringing entertainment to the amputees at the hospital since last April when his nephew, Mike Bledsoe, Salt Lake City, was hit by a mortar in Viet Nam, but did not lose his leg. He said his concern for the amputee first stirred his interest.

Mrs. Hines said about 4,500 pounds of food were flown in from Hawaii Saturday, while over 50 dozen rose blossoms for leis and decorations were donated by area florists.

The Hawaiian group was in charge of food preparation and service, and more than 100 cooks and waitresses donated their time and services for the occasion.

One of the amputees in attendance was Richard Jesse Moralis, 19, of Chicago, who was released from the hospital late in July after spending seven months there. He will be discharged from the Marines Wednesday and will stay at the home of Floyd Murray, a retired Marine, who lives at 42347 Greenbriar Park Drive, Fremont, until he finds a job and a permanent place to stay.

His immediate hope is to be hired at the Naval Prosthetics Research Laboratory at Oak Knoll, where he would like to learn how to make artificial limbs.

Moralis, who spent 11 months overseas, including 8½ months in Viet Nam, was taken to Oak Knoll in February after he had the lower part of his right leg below the knee blown off when he tripped a booby trap wire about six miles out of Da Nang on a jungle trail during a midnight patrol. He also lost the index finger on his left hand.

A corpsman who was with him lost both legs. Both were picked up by helicopter within minutes and flown to the U.S. Naval Support Hospital in Da Nang for two weeks. From there they were taken to a hospital at Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines, then to Japan to pick up more casualties, and finally to Alameda Naval Air Station, from where they were transported to Oak Knoll Hospital.

Moralis went into immediate surgery, and after six weeks was fitted with a fiberglass artificial leg with a synthetic rubber foot, which allows no ankle movement, but does bend at the toes. He said it took him 3 or 4 days to get used to it.

Also in attendance was Marine Pfc. Chris Lewis, 103 Action Court, Fremont, who also lost a leg in Viet Nam action.

Entertainment was provided by 40 Hawaiian dancers and musicians, including the Il-Lima's, who performed on a flatbed truck, converted to a portable stage.

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## LETTERS TO THE FORUM

### 'Well Done'

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HARLAN PETERMAN

### Viet Nam Vets Delighted by 'Largest' Luau

Thanks to a large extent to the efforts of Harlan V. Peterman of the Public Works Dept.'s Transportation Division, more than 700 patients at the Oakland Naval Hospital enjoyed on Sunday, Aug. 28, what was undoubtedly the largest Hawaiian luau ever given in the Bay Area.

The patients, some of whom were brought over to Oak Knoll from the Army Letterman Hospital at the Presidio in San Francisco, were mostly casualties of combat in Viet Nam. With their families and other guests, the audience numbered more than 2,000.

In final preparations, Peterman and others worked most of Friday night, throughout Saturday until 4 a.m. Sunday, and then during the day. There had been many additional hours of earlier preparation, but the effort was worth it to all hands.

**TREMENDOUS TREAT**  
"When you see some of those boys and know they're in pain but they have a big smile on their faces, then you can feel good," Peterman said, remarking that most of the patients seemed between 18 and 22 years old.

Peterman is president of the Hui-o-Holo-Holo Club which took the lead among local groups preparing the luau. The club includes former Hawaiian residents. Mrs. Peterman (Emma) was born in the Islands. Her husband hails from Granite Falls, Minn., but he got to know Hawaii well from his military and civilian government service there during and after World War II.

**DAUGHTERS DANCED**  
He and his wife, who live at (Continued on page 3)

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### BIG HELLO FROM HILO

Edith Kanakaole of Hilo, Hawaii, is the center of attention in this happy group at the Oak Knoll luau. From left: Lance Corporal Don J. Bush, USMC; Hospitalman Frank N. Sheridan, USN; Lieutenant (jg) Carolyn Mellon, USN; Private First Class Jerry Olives, USA. Edith, who happened to be visiting in this area, joyously joined other entertainers to make an unforgettable day for the hospital patients. (This photo and the one below are by Marine Sergeant A. O. Flagg.)



### SOMEBODY CARES

"Naughty Abbie" (circled), who flew from Hawaii to entertain, presents flower leis to these wounded Marine veterans: Private First Class Kenneth Wilkerson and Lance Corporal John Schnars. Behind Wilkerson is Mrs. Joan Brenners, mother of a soldier in Viet Nam. Some of the patients were amputees. Their beds or wheelchairs in the brightly colorful scene were a reminder of American responsibilities in Viet Nam.

## Peterman Helps Stage Great Luau

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42572 Fontainebleau Park Lane, Fremont, have two daughters. Emma Jane, now a week short of her 20th birthday, was born in Hawaii. Shirley is 13. Both girls danced hulas at the luau.

Peterman gives especial credit to Captain Gary J. Cooper, Marine Corps liaison officer at Oak Knoll, for coordinating the deliveries of the many donations for the big party.

An essential of a luau — a Hawaiian feast — is pork, and five pigs were on the menu, roasted outdoors in the Hawaiian way. A 375-pound hog, given by Leisure World of Los Angeles, was brought up by Flying Tiger Airlines. The Alameda County Board of Supervisors furnished three other pigs. The fifth came from a private concern.

In addition to the kalua pig, there were chicken and long rice, baked aku, lomi lomi salmon, opihi, cake, and beverages.

### FRESH FROM ISLANDS

Through the courtesy of the Hawaii National Guard and the Commander in Chief, Pacific Fleet, 4,500 pounds of the Hawaiian food, including fresh pineapples and poi, were flown in from the island, along with 4,000 orchids.

Mayfair Markets furnished 100 frying chickens; Falstaff and Lucky Lager contributed 30 kegs of beer; Del Monte, Pepsi-Cola, and Shasta gave soft drinks. Trader Vic's sent 500 pottery drinking cups in the form of coconuts. A San Francisco department store gave 1,500 color-

ful shirts. A large number of other local firms, as well as private individuals, made donations of various kinds.

Peterman and Captain Cooper obtained the services of 115 girls to act as waitresses, and 35 volunteer cooks. More than 40 persons — mostly from this area — put on shows from 1:30 to 6 p.m. Among them was the entertainer Abbie Sang, known as "Naughty Abbie," who flew in from Hawaii for the occasion.

Not all the patients could be moved outdoors, but all were given flower leis. Needless to say, the enthusiasm was general and intense.

### EARLY BOOSTER

Peterman became a booster of Hawaii when he was stationed in Honolulu during World War II. As an Army Air Corps staff sergeant he was flight engineer on a transport plane that took troops, mail, and food throughout the Pacific. Discharged in 1945 after three years of service, he worked for a Naval Air Station until it was disestablished in 1947, and then for a Marine Corps Air Station that closed down in 1949. He then came to Oakland and now has 24 years of federal service in all.

He is experienced in staging luaus — he helped put one on in Santa Clara three years ago. In 1964 he organized a tour of Hawaii. All his past experience, it now seems, was a preparation for giving an unforgettable day of pleasure to young men who had gone through so much in Viet Nam on behalf of the Free World.

SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE, Thursday, Sept. 1, 1966

### Marine's Wife Has Triplets In East Bay

The wife of a Marine Corps sergeant yesterday gave birth to triplets, and the mother, two boys and a girl are in good condition, Oakland Naval Hospital announced.

Sergeant Charles W. Arnold, 37, the father, was at home yesterday, taking care of the couple's other four children. Arnold and his wife, Mary Helen, live at 2104 Santa Rosa circle, Alameda.

The triplets were delivered between 3:31 and 3:55 a.m. yesterday, a hospital spokesman said.

## Tea for Red Cross Volunteers

Teen-age volunteers from Eastbay Red Cross chapters were feted at a tea at Oakland Naval Hospital Officers Club.

The 43 boys and girls from Alameda, Oakland and Berkeley chapters donated a total of 650 hours service at the hospital this summer.

Volunteers and their guests were welcomed by Marian Conklin, Red Cross field director at the hospital; Rear

Adm. Harold J. Cukley, the hospital's commanding officer, and Cmdr. Mercalia Smith, chief of the nursing service.

Volunteers from Alameda were June Amaya, Cindy Bryant, Anna Butler, Barbara Black, Sharon Ferreira, Carmelia Haynes, Deborah Keshan, Yolma Littlejohn, Carolyn Minor, Susan Moss, Candy Richardson, Mary Rush, Sally Stang, Carmencia

Valerio, Sherry Walter, Jim Jensen, Brian McDonald and Bob Stenberg.

From Berkeley: Sue Loffness, Donna Mann, Andrea

Yates.

Oakland volunteers were

Linda Beasley, Margie Fraga,

Jane Freitas, Audrey Hill,

Debbey Joseph, Mary O'Con-

nell, Eileen O'Keefe, Joan

Randono, Maureen Sirhall,

Michele Thompson, Donna Ti-

tus, Theresa Tobin, Betty Tur-

ner, June Willis, Mike Bickley

and Larry Salvador.

World of Women

Oakland Tribune

20-F Thurs., Sept. 8, 1966



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## MEDICINE

### A Faster Step

While Marine Sgt. George Uribe, 31, was on a search-and-destroy patrol near Hue this spring, a shotgun held by another soldier accidentally fired and blasted dozens of pellets into Uribe's right leg. Within days the leg had to be amputated at the hip. The battlefield has always claimed a terrible price in amputees. But last week—after a dramatically short hospital stay, by the standards of other wars—Uribe walked into his home in Oceanside, Calif., limping only slightly on his new plastic leg.

Just as dramatic is the brief time it now takes such amputees to manage their first faltering steps. The maimed of

hours later the amputee is told to start walking as much as he can, and some can pace off a quarter of a mile within five days. If the patient can't hold himself up, he is supported with a harness suspended from the ceiling, while he pulls himself along on hand-level parallel bars. During the several weeks the amputee is learning to walk competently on an artificial limb, technicians in the lab begin to mold the permanent plastic leg he will wear when the stump shrinks to normal size.

**Toothache.** Colbranson, who borrowed the instant-limb technique from Dr. Marian Weiss, a Polish surgeon, in 1963, was nervous about using it at first. "The idea of walking on the freshly operated stump was a little frightening,"

visited him recently, but Colbranson overruled her. He argues it is important that "the whole family understand it and live with it."

But if Colbranson drives them hard, the amputees drive one another even harder with gibes, challenges and simply by example. "I met this Negro officer here. He got hit, too, but he could do everything," says David Munro, a 22-year-old marine from Detroit who lost both legs when he stepped on a land mine near Da Nang. "And there was a little baby who had a deformed leg; he could do everything. So you decide you're going to do everything you can, too, and you do it."

For some amputees "everything" means almost complete rehabilitation,



Colbranson: Pitiless pushing



Amputees: Instant limb (right) and pacing lead to plastic legs

World War II and Korea languished on their hospital beds for weeks; today Vietnam veterans are climbing out of bed almost overnight with the help of "instant limbs." The advent of these temporary aluminum legs is one of the most significant developments in prosthetics since the British put moving parts into artificial limbs 150 years ago.

**Mobility.** "The whole idea is to get the patient going as soon as possible," says Dr. Frank L. Colbranson, the captain who directs the Prosthetics Research Laboratory attached to the Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland, Calif. "You don't want to let him lie there and feel sorry for himself. The longer he lies in bed the weaker he gets."

The procedure at Oakland—which specializes in leg amputees—is radically fast. The stump is padded with fine silk mesh, gauze, a cotton sock, padding and an elastic cloth soaked with plaster of Paris as soon as the patient's leg is amputated. Then the instant limb, an aluminum pole with a shoe on one end and three claws on the other, is fitted. Twenty-four

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he says. "We thought the patient might scream with pain. But he didn't. Most of the fellows since have told us it feels like a toothache."

The physical anguish of amputation and learning to walk with an artificial leg is perhaps minor compared with the psychological torment of losing a limb. To keep the amputees from indulging in self-pity, Colbranson works them hard and discourages them from leaving the lab for liberty before they are ready to go home for good. "Everybody heaps them with sympathy and they become barroom heroes," he complains. "This is why so many become alcoholics."

Not all of Oak Knoll's patients are leg amputees. Navy Comdr. Wynn Foster had to have his right arm amputated just below the shoulder when anti-aircraft fire shattered the cockpit of his A-4 Skyhawk jet during a raid on the Vinh oil-storage area in North Vietnam last month. Foster's wife wanted the stump concealed when the children



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## A Physician's View of medical activities in VIET NAM

Annual ACCMA Meeting as  
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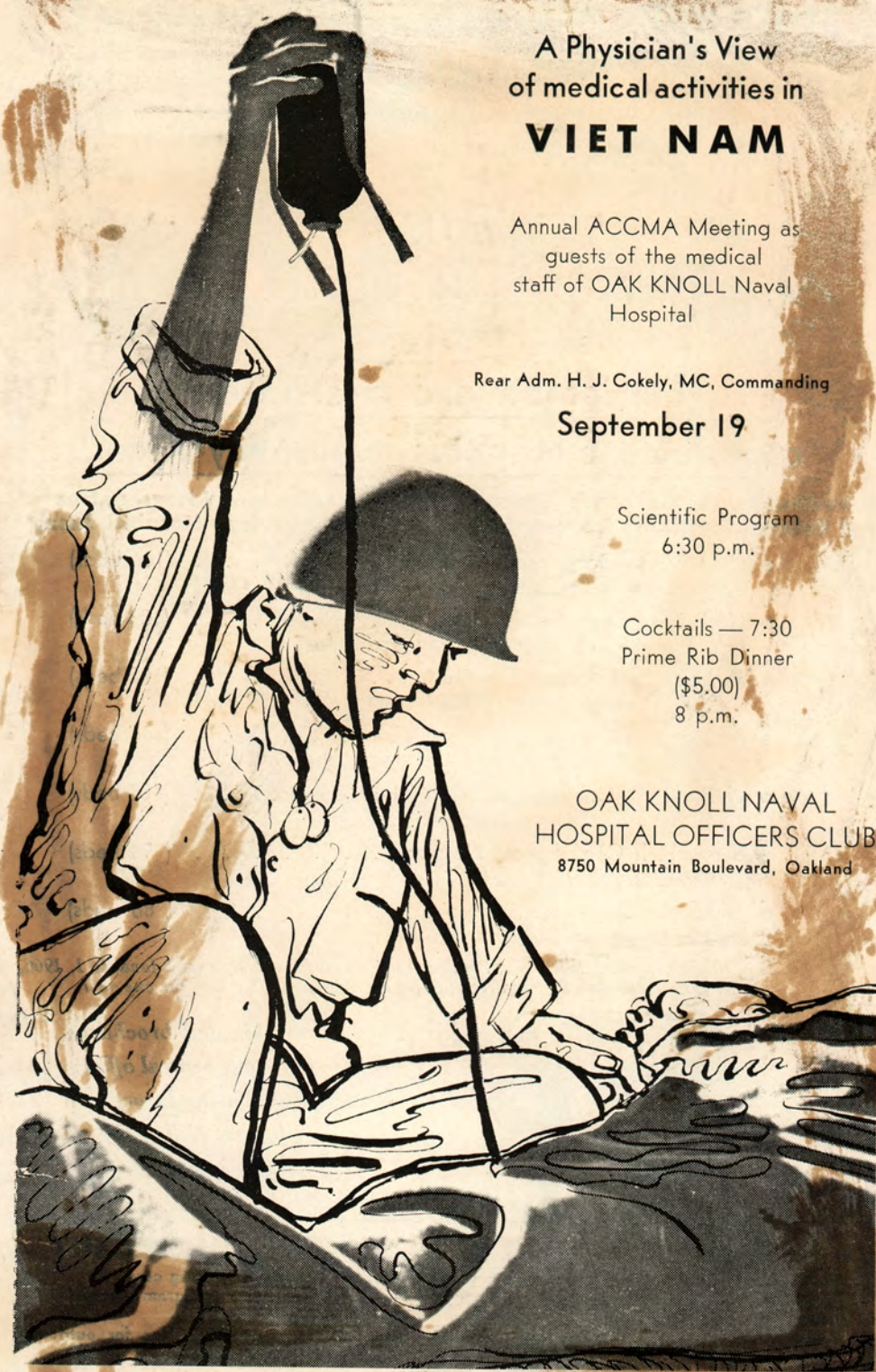
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## GUEST OF HONOR



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## DENTAL ASSISTANT TRAINING PROGRAM FOR THE ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED

The Dental Assistant Training Program at the U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California, in conjunction with the Title V Work Experience Program (Economic Opportunity Act), has been a great success. The dental technician shortage has been intensified by the Vietnam conflict and has forced the staffing level of technicians to an unrealistic low level. To augment the dental assistants selected, trainees were chosen from the Title V Work Experience Program. At this time, all of the trainees have completed over three months of on-the-job training which consists of chairside assistance to the dental officer, formal lectures, and demonstrations. It is anticipated that after a year of training, these girls will seek and find positions in local civilian dental offices.

This program is very gratifying in that it affords constant chairside assistance to naval dental officers during the training period. While this Navy need is being fulfilled, it is also greatly contributing to the Title V Work Experience Program.

Other dental facilities of the U.S. Navy are also active in this same program.



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ical society committees and under their guidance. The first physicians to be reviewed have been requested to call CPS to pick up the claims.

The following reports were heard:

Mr. Howard Hassard has resigned his position as Executive Director of the California Medical Association but will continue in this capacity until a replacement is secured. The office of Mr. K. L. Hamman has been employed to assist the CMA Executive Committee in finding a successor to Mr. Hassard.

The European Charter Trip scheduled for Spring 1967 has been cancelled and no firm arrangements for any future charter flights sponsored by the Association have been made.

Several complaints have been received from the membership regarding the increase in CMA and AMA dues. Dues have been received from 1,274 members, and 562 physicians have paid California Public Health League dues.

Doctor Dexter Richards and Mr. William Scheuber attended a meeting of the Northern California Group Malpractice Program Policy Committee in San Francisco on January 11th. The committee voted to postpone for one year an indicated premium rate increase applicable chiefly to the surgical specialties. Doctor Richards was named chairman of the Northern California Policy Committee.

A sub-committee composed of six members of the ACCMA Malpractice Committee met January 11th to formulate plans for analyzing malpractice cases experienced in Alameda and Contra Costa counties during the past 10 years. Meetings of this sub-committee will continue, and may entail the expenditure of funds.

The Executive Committee met on December 14th with Doctors Edward Duffie, John Knowles, and Doctor Edward S. Rogers of the University of California to discuss the physicians' role in the planning of a proposed medical school in the East Bay. A

meeting is scheduled for February 3rd with Chancellor Roger Heyns of UC, hospital representatives and the ACCMA Executive Committee. Doctor William Donald requested that when a committee is appointed to study the proposed medical school, representatives from the Berkeley and Medical Hill hospitals be included on the committee. Doctor Donald was invited to attend the meeting on February 3rd.

Dr. Charles Webster was present to discuss a recent meeting of the ACCMA Hospital Planning Committee, where discussion was held regarding the development of a maternal-infant center in the East Bay. Meetings have been held with hospital administrators, pediatricians and gynecologists concerning the possibility of such a center.

A letter was reviewed which had been sent to doctors in Oakland and Alameda from the Alameda County TB & Health Association regarding a tine test to be administered to approximately 1,700 first and eighth grade children. Doctor James Malcolm, Alameda County Health Officer, stated that the Health Department was not asked to participate in the program. The Council voted to refer the matter to the Public Health Committee for review, to confer with the Alameda County Health Department concerning the validity of such procedures, and to convey its recommendations if any to the appropriate agency.

## ALAMEDA GYNECOLOGICAL SOCIETY

### VIRGINIA APGAR, MD

Director, Division of Congenital Malformations, The National Foundation  
will speak on

### EARLY DIAGNOSIS OF CONGENITAL ANOMALIES

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# Blood Bank of the ACCMA Reports to the Membership

J. BRANDON BASSETT, MD  
President

The Board of Directors met three times during 1966.

On January 13, 1966, the Board reviewed the operations of the Blood Bank and elected the following officers:

J. Brandon Bassett, MD.....President  
Frederick W. Ackerman, MD  
.....Vice President  
Stanley R. Truman, MD  
.....Secretary-Treasurer

At its second meeting on March 31, the Board reviewed the finances of the Blood Bank and the operations of the Computer Inventory Control System. At this meeting it authorized entering into a Memorandum of Agreement with the American National Red Cross for collection of blood for defense purposes from students and members of various civic organizations.

The Board at its third meeting on August 26 amended the pension plan to bring it into conformity with the Association's plan and to incorporate amendments to the plan as ordered by the Internal Revenue Service.

In June a lay group in Hayward formed a committee to promote a blood bank to serve all of Southern Alameda County. It was the contention of this group that the services of the ACCMA Blood Bank were inadequate and did not conveniently meet the blood needs of the people of that area; that the mobile drawings at the Ashland School (located on the North boundary of Hayward) and at the Thornton School in Fremont should be changed both as to location and as to hours. The complaint was resolved by scheduling a monthly mobile drawing at the Weekes Park Community Center in Hayward. The first drawing at this location was held on Tuesday, January 10, 1967.

In September the Blood Bank entered into a contract with the Permanente Medical Group to supply all the blood needs of the Kaiser hospitals in Oakland and Hayward. It is estimated that these two hospitals will use 5,000 units of whole blood per year. The Blood Bank was able to assume the responsibility of providing this blood without having to increase its facilities or staff.

On March 4th the Blood Bank conducted at Herrick Hospital a workshop participated in by 24 technologists and 4 trainees from 22 hospitals in Alameda and Contra Costa counties. Lectures were given by Doctors Leonard Ortega, Justin Dorgeloh and John Carney. The equipment used for the workshop was provided by the California Blood Bank System. A similar workshop is planned during 1967.

During the year the Blood Bank experienced two periods of inadequate blood inventory. One occurred during the influenza epidemic in the spring of 1966; the other in August and September. During the periods of shortages the Computer Inventory Control System was of inestimable value in assisting us in distributing the available blood to locations of greatest need. Similar shortages occurred throughout the United States during the same periods in which our inventory was low.

During the year the American National Red Cross in Los Angeles and Orange counties and the Sacramento Medical Foundation Blood Bank installed a Computer Inventory Control System similar to ours.

At our request the Crocker-Citizens National Bank mailed with its November, 1966, statements 41,000 Blood Bank brochures titled "Supply, Demand and Human Life." The pamphlet was designed to increase response from prospective donors.



with Dr. Bernard Lown in establishing the Samuel A. Levine Cardiac Center at Peter Bent Brigham Hospital in Boston. Many instructors from other services contributed their time and the cardiologists, in particular, spent many hours assisting with ECG pattern recognition drill.

The enthusiasm of the students and commitment of the instructors resulted in a highly successful and rewarding workshop. It will be repeated 14-19 November to augment the present ICCU staff.



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# NURSE CORPS SECTION

## INTENSIVE CORONARY CARE WORKSHOP

*LCDR Ruth G. Pampush NC USN, Educational Coordinator, Nursing Service, Oak Knoll Naval Hospital.*

An intensive coronary care workshop for nursing service has been established at this hospital under the supervision of CAPT Henry A. Sparks, Chief of Medicine for the purpose of instructing staff in the performance of duties in the intensive coronary care unit which is now functioning at Oak Knoll.

The purposes of the coronary care unit are to improve the medical and nursing care of the patients with recent or suspected myocardial infarction and to decrease the number of resultant deaths, to bring medical and nursing practice to a level where it utilizes the knowledge gained from research, and to help fulfill our obligation to the American people who have donated millions of dollars to hear research and who have been taxed for millions more.

The concept of the coronary care unit is therefore a natural product of current needs and current capabilities. The unit is a separate area within the hospital specifically equipped and staffed to meet the total anticipated needs of the patient with myocardial infarction. Constant, intensive surveillance is provided, and emergency treatment can be instituted without delay. Although the facility is equipped to monitor electrocardiograms and other vital signs as indicated, no degree of electronic excellence can replace the nurse and physician.<sup>1</sup>

Because she is the one who is with the patient for twenty-four hours a day, the nurse specialist is the most vital element in the whole concept of intensive coronary care. She offers excellence in intensive nursing procedures through her familiarity with the particular physical and emotional needs of the coro-

nary patient and through her training in the recognition and emergency management of complications.<sup>2</sup>

The present workshop together with a continuous teaching program for constant retraining of intensive coronary care personnel has been developed to produce the nurse specialists who will work in the unit.

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Course content includes the following: purposes, aims & objectives, statistics, anatomy of cardiac circulation, pathology of myocardial infarction, enzymes involved in myocardial infarction and its detection, clinical picture of the patient with a myocardial infarction, coronary precautions, monitor units—use, function, hazards, ECG apparatus and function, practice using ECG, monitors, principles of ECG pattern recognition, normal readings, arrhythmias, cardiac drugs, cardiac resuscitation, demonstration and practice of defibrillation in the dog lab, airways, respirators, tracheal toilet, metabolic factors in cardiac arrest, pacemakers, shock, and the unit drill of precise roles in cardiac arrest.

The workshop was developed by CDR W. S. Myers MC USN, Assistant Chief of Medicine and Cardiologist, LT Gerald A. Wolff MC USN, Cardiologist, and LCDR Ruth G. Pampush NC USN, Nursing Educational Coordinator at Oak Knoll, under the direction of LT Wolff who had worked

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## 12TH DENTAL COMPANY MAKES FIELD EXERCISE "PAY OFF" FOR CHILDREN

The 12th Force Dental Company, 2d Marine Aircraft Wing, Cherry Point, N.C., CAPT L. Young DC USN commanding, executed an annual field training exercise which accomplished two additional commendable values. To accommodate these special purposes, the field exercise was established adjacent to the station's main baseball diamond, vice the usual remote site. In three platoons, 11 dental officers and 17 dental technicians established a field complex of three GP and two CP tents for the period 12-19 August, 1966, for the primary purposes of training newly assigned personnel in mount-out procedures and testing field equipment and procedures.

After the Oral Surgery, the Prosthodontic and the Clinic Platoon had completed their field exercise, all hands turned to for four days and provided three-agent stannous fluoride preventive dentistry treatment and oral hygiene instruction to 1430 school aged dependent children of military personnel attached to units at Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point. This accomplishment is especially impressive in that the conventional rubber cup prophylaxis was included. During this exercise, the 12th Dental Company also celebrated the 54th anniversary of the Naval Dental Corps. To the officers and men of the 12th Dental Company, a hearty "Well Done."

## NURSE CORPS SECTION

### INTENSIVE CORONARY CARE WORKSHOP

*LCDR Ruth Pampush NC USN, Educational Coordinator, Nursing Service,  
Oak Knoll Naval Hospital.*

An intensive coronary care workshop for nursing service has been established at this hospital under the supervision of CAPT Henry A. Sparks, Chief of Medicine for the purpose of instructing staff in the performance of duties in the intensive coronary care unit which is now functioning at Oak Knoll.

The purposes of the coronary care unit are to improve the medical and nursing care of the patients with recent or suspected myocardial infarction and to decrease the number of resultant deaths, to bring medical and nursing practice to a level where it utilizes the knowledge gained from research, and to help fulfill our obligation to the American people who have donated millions of dollars to hear research and who have been taxed for millions more.

The concept of the coronary care unit is therefore a natural product of current needs and current capabilities. The unit is a separate area within the hospital specifically equipped and staffed to meet the total anticipated needs of the patient with myocardial infarction. Constant, intensive surveillance is provided, and emergency treatment can be instituted

without delay. Although the facility is equipped to monitor electrocardiograms and other vital signs as indicated, no degree of electronic excellence can replace the nurse and physician.<sup>1</sup>

Because she is the one who is with the patient for twenty-four hours a day, the nurse specialist is the most vital element in the whole concept of intensive coronary care. She offers excellence in intensive nursing procedures through her familiarity with the particular physical and emotional needs of the coronary patient and through her training in the recognition and emergency management of complications.<sup>2</sup>

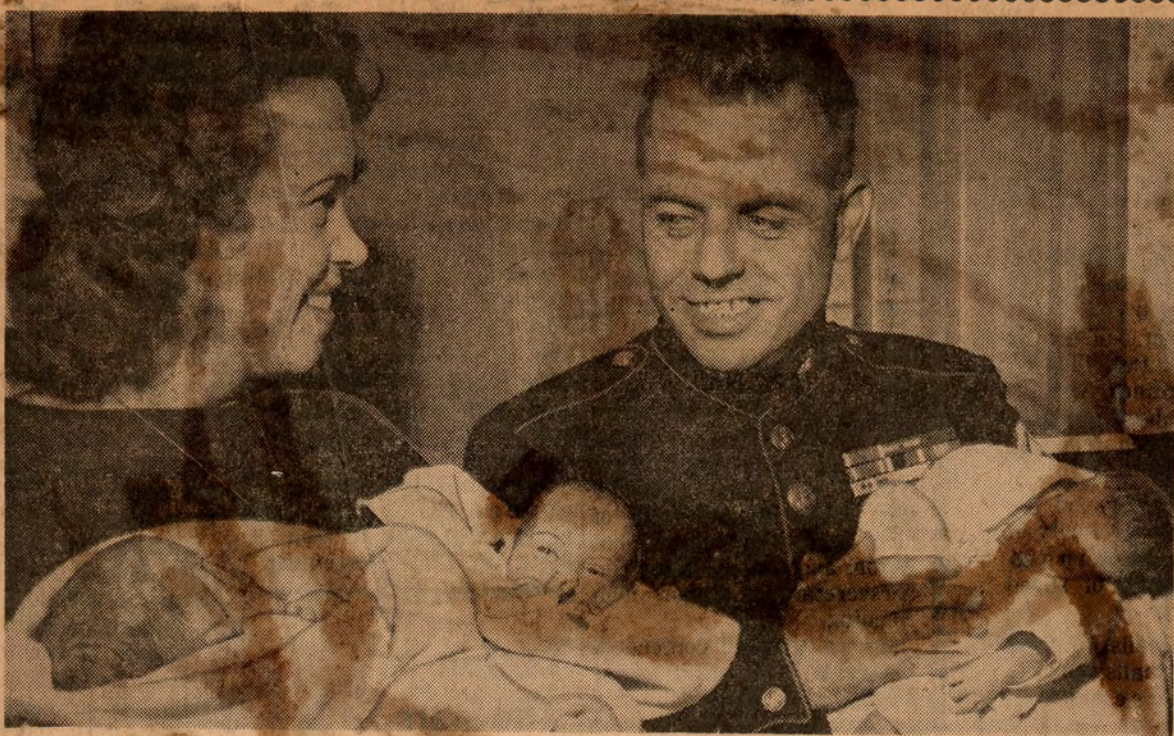
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## Alameda Triplets Home

Marine Sergeant Charles W. Arnold and his wife Mary Helen, took their 21-day-old triplets home to Alameda, the babies — Rodney Eli, Mary Alma and Jerome Edward — joined four other Arnold children, ranging in age from 14 months to 18 years. Arnold, who is stationed aboard the USS Coral Sea, was given temporary duty ashore for three months.



## Who Said Three's a Crowd

Marine Sgt. Charles W. Arnold and his wife, Mary Helen, took their triplets home to Alameda from Oakland Naval Hospital yesterday. The babies, two boys and a girl were born Aug. 31 and are named, in order of their arrival, Rodney Eli (L.), Jerome Edward and Mary Alma. The infants are the fifth set of triplets born at the Naval Hospital in its 24-year history.

—Examiner Photo



Marine S/Sgt. Charles W. Arnold of Alameda looks as if he's gotten over the surprise that his wife, Mary, gave him last Aug. 31, with the birth of triplets. The infants, Rodney, Jerome and Mary (from left), were taken home to 2104 Santa Rosa Circle yesterday to join the other four Arnold children, Carolyn, Mollie, Randolph and Joseph, who range in age from 18 years to 14 months. The triplets were born at Oakland Naval Hospital.



ONE EACH -- Representing the Marine Corps, Navy, Navy Nurse Corps, Army and Hawaii, is this happy group who attended the largest Hawaiian Luau held in the San Francisco Bay Area. Scene of the Luau was the U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, Calif. Pictured are: (from left to right) Lt. Col. Don J. Bush, USMC; Hospitalman Frank N. Sheridan, USN; Lt. (jg) Carolyn Mellon, USN; Pfc. Jerry Olives, USA; and Edith Kanakaole of Hilo, Hawaii.

## Vietnam Casualties Treated To A Luau

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More than 700 wounded Marines and sailors from the U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, Calif., and their guests, were treated to hospitality, Hawaiian style, at the Naval Hospital's picnic grounds Sunday, Aug. 28.

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of Los Angeles. The problem of how to transport him was solved when the Flying Tiger Line agreed to fly the "porker" to San Francisco. A local packing house prepared the hog, nicknamed "Hody," to complete the process. Among the foodstuffs and items donated were:

- 30 kegs of beer—courtesy of Falstaff and Lucky Lager.

- 100 frying chickens—courtesy of Mayfair Markets.

- 4000 orchids, pineapples, poi and other island favorites—courtesy of the Hawaiian National Guard and Commander in Chief, Pacific Fleet.

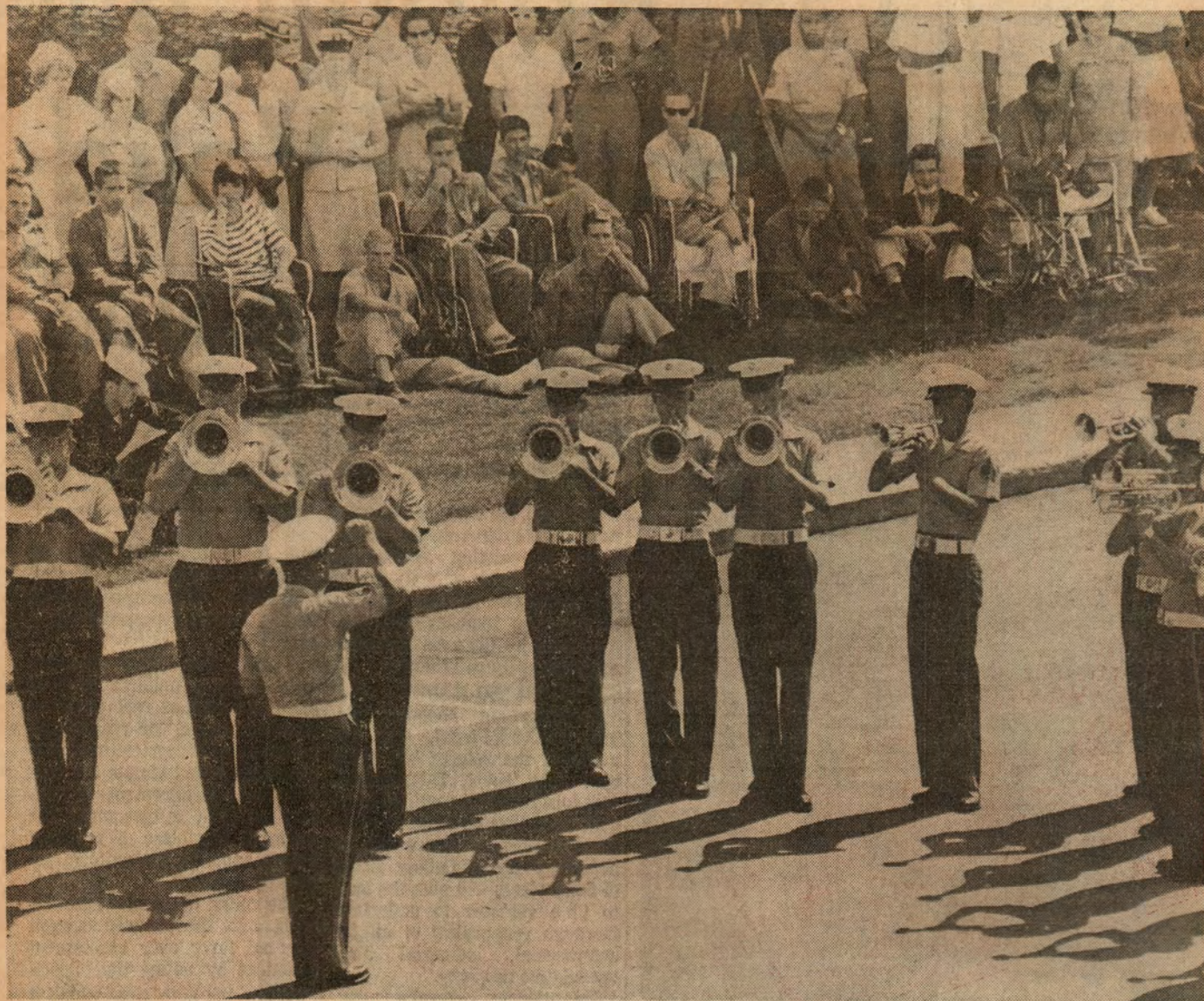
## Three a Crowd?

OAKLAND, Calif. — Marine Sgt. Charles W. Arnold and his wife brought a surprise package home to their four children. It was a set of triplets born to Mrs. Arnold at the Oakland Naval Hospital—two boys and a girl.

The babies, Rodney Eli, Jerome Edward and Mary Alma are the fifth set of triplets born at this hospital in its 24-year history. According to statistics, triplets occur only once in about 7800 births.

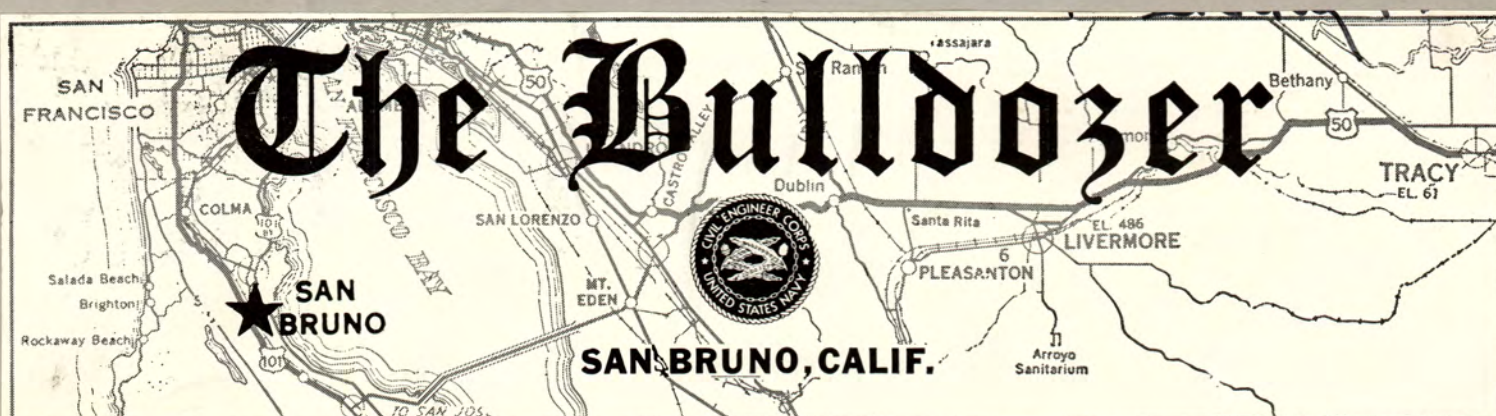
The four other Arnold children range from 14 months to 18 years. The sergeant is attached to the carrier Coral Sea, but was given temporary shore duty to help with his sudden increase in family.





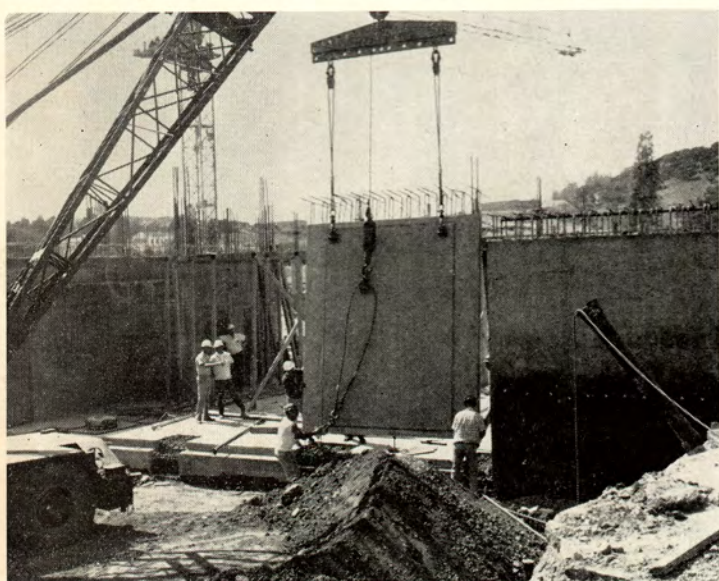
**HOSPITAL SERENADE**—The Fleet Marine Force Pacific Drum and Bugle Corps sounds off for patients and staff at the Oakland Naval Hospital. The world-famed musical group, stationed in Hawaii, has performed for heads of state. Marine and Navy pa-

tients, many of them Viet Nam casualties, turned out in wheel chairs and on crutches to hear the music, directed by drum major Gunner Sgt. D. B. Farmer (left), in the hospital's Gendreau Circle.



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### Setting of Initial Precast Wall Panel



The first precast concrete wall panel being set in place at the second floor level of the new 650-bed Naval Hospital being constructed under NAVFAC Contract NBY-61304 at USNH Oakland. Pigment has been added to the concrete to give these panels a buff color. Panels at eye-level, such as this one, receive a one-inch topping of colored exposed aggregate for a pleasing appearance. WESTDIV personnel at the left of the photo, left to right, are LCDR J. A. Wright, ROICC; D. G. Brown, Structural Inspector; E. G. Mattoon, Chief Inspector.

### Construction Progresses

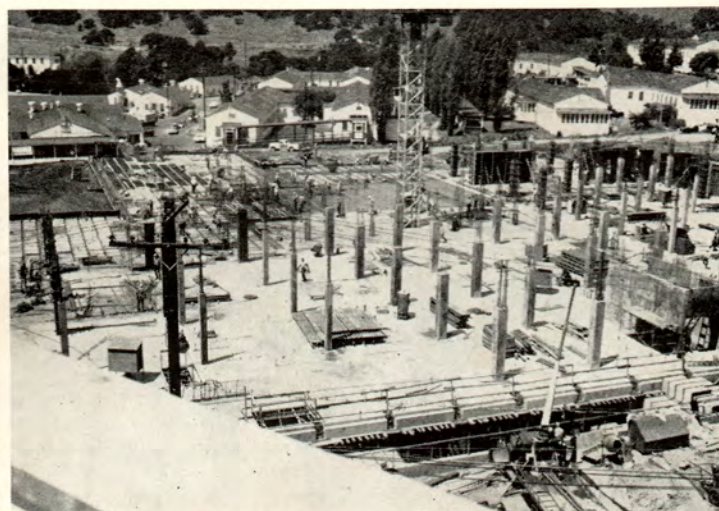


Photo shows construction progress on the new 650-bed Naval Hospital being built under the cognizance of WESTDIVNAVFAC at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California. Placement of a portion of the second floor waffle slab is progressing in the center of the photo. The main entrance will be at the second floor level in the "L" section in the upper left corner of the photo. Construction is presently about 13% complete. Scheduled date of completion for the hospital is March 1968, with landscaping, sidewalks, parking, etc., to be completed in June 1968. The next major target is "topping out" prior to Christmas of this year. Huber, Hunt & Nichols, Incorporated, with home offices in Indianapolis, is the prime contractor on this \$14 million project.

## 'Volunteers' Honored by Oak Knoll

Forty-three Eastbay "Volunteers" from Red Cross Chapters in Alameda, Berkeley, and Oakland Red Cross chapters who gave a total of 650 hours' service at Oakland Naval Hospital during the summer months were honored at a tea at the hospital Officers' Club.

Mrs. Marian Conklin, Red Cross field director at Oak Knoll, welcomed the young volunteer workers and their guests. Rear Admiral Harold J. Cokely, the hospital's commanding officer, and Commander Marcella E. Smith, chief of the nursing service, were there to deliver their thanks and a "well done."

The teen-age boys and girls worked in the pediatric ward, central sterilizing room, immunization clinic, occupational therapy, chart room, and libraries, helping with a wide variety of tasks that do not require technical skill yet must be done to keep the hospital running smoothly.

They also assisted with ward recreation activities and Red Cross personal service such as shopping for patients.

Volunteers from the Berkeley Red Cross Chapter were Sue Loftness, Donna Mann, Andrea Mayer, Randee Renfro, Nora Rios, Christine Tucker, Ellen Tucker, Esther Yue, and Anna Yu.

## NAVY TIMES

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## Loss of Arm Fails To Deter Navy Pilot

By JOE LEON E. RHOADES

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Comdr. Wynne Foster is determined to continue as a Naval Aviator even though he is recuperating from the amputation of his right arm. In his own words, "I know it can be done and I intend to do it!"

He lost his arm when his jet was hit by anti-aircraft fire over North Vietnam on July 23 as Foster, commanding officer of Attack Squadron 163, was leading a two-plane strike of A-4 Skyhawk jets against the Vinh oil storage area. After passing the coast, the flight was subjected to heavy anti-aircraft fire.

Foster took a direct hit which shattered his right arm between the elbow and shoulder.

Though painfully wounded, with his right arm bleeding profusely and useless, Foster directed his wingman to proceed back out to sea. The commander then took evasive action until well clear of the anti-aircraft fire.

Through painful gymnastics in the cockpit he made radio contact with the search and rescue destroyer, mentally plotted the course to

the ship and continued to fly his aircraft skillfully with his left hand.

**PENETRATING** the cloud layer as he approached the destroyer, Foster ejected at 3000 feet, just ahead of the ship.

He inflated his life vest, released the seat pack and when in the water opened his parachute fittings, all with his left hand.

Once in the boat, he instructed the crew as to the location of his survival kit, morphine and how to administer it. The whaleboat was hoisted aboard the Reeves within 10 minutes of pickup and Foster was given medical attention.

He was evacuated to the carrier Oriskany at 2:00 p.m. the same day. It was necessary to amputate his right arm just below the shoulder.

At his bedside at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital Foster flatly stated that he had no intention what so ever of giving up as a Naval Aviator. The commander made reference to Lt. Comdr. Frank Ellis who lost both legs in an aircraft accident and went on to prove that with the aid of artificial limbs he could remain in flight status; a status Foster intends to return to as soon as the doctors will allow.

For his actions, Foster was awarded the Silver Star and the Purple Heart. He has also been recommended for the Distinguished Flying Cross.



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Bill Fiset  
... Man Alive ...

... Everybody is helping out at Oakland Naval Hospital's amputee wards. A Livermore man has been bringing in a tape recorder so veterans can tape messages to their buddies still in Viet Nam, and now it's getting good. The tapes are coming back from overseas, with the guys there sending cheers and good luck. . . . And an Oakland woman (whose own son is in Viet Nam) toured the wards the other day, stopped to ask a young Marine what he'd like more than anything else in the whole world. "Waffles." The woman darted out, was back quickly with waffle iron, batter, butter and syrup enough for the whole ward. Boy, the sticky sheets.

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Bill Fiset  
... Man Alive ...

Oakland Naval Hospital is getting Navy Capt. James Young, a doctor transferred here from Washington where he supposedly included among his patients Ladybird, Lynda Bird and Luci. He's an internist, not an ornithologist, and he supposedly also treated Jackie Kennedy at Hyannisport. . . . About Ladybird, Norvell Gillespie and Fremont's Jack Brooks, both members of Pat Brown's State Beauty Commission, are busily planning a dinner for 400 at San Simeon for Sept. 21, honoring the First Lady. It'll be in California's most ornate dining room and will be—you guessed it—a barbeque. . . . And about Oakland Naval Hospital, a bunch of Marine patients went to Lake Berryessa waterskiing the other day and the hospital sent along Jim Long, a medical corpsman, to keep an eye on them. The Marines came back in great shape. Long came back with a broken ankle.

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### 1966 Oak Knoll Meeting Album



The traditional meeting as the guests of the Commander and staff of Oak Knoll Naval Hospital was held this year on September 19, attracting the largest signup in the twenty-one years since it began.

Lt. Commander Helmer Huseby, MC, USN (at left) led the scientific program on medical activities in Vietnam.

Host to the meeting was Admiral H. J. Cokely, MC, USN, shown below with J. Brandon Bassett, MD, ACCMA President, and Stanley Truman, MD, ACCMA Secretary-Treasurer.



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Captain Gale G. Clark, MC, USN, chats at left with Harry Appeldorn, MD, and Philip Van Horn, MD, before dinner while Doctors Jack Berman, Victor Sbarbaro, Dorothy Allen and Helen Snook, at right, work their way down the chow line.



Fred Hook, MD, below, looks more pensive than he does on page 44 upper right, as he, Captain Dean Schufeldt, MC, USN, Oak Knoll's Executive Officer, and William McGaughey, MD, await cocktails.



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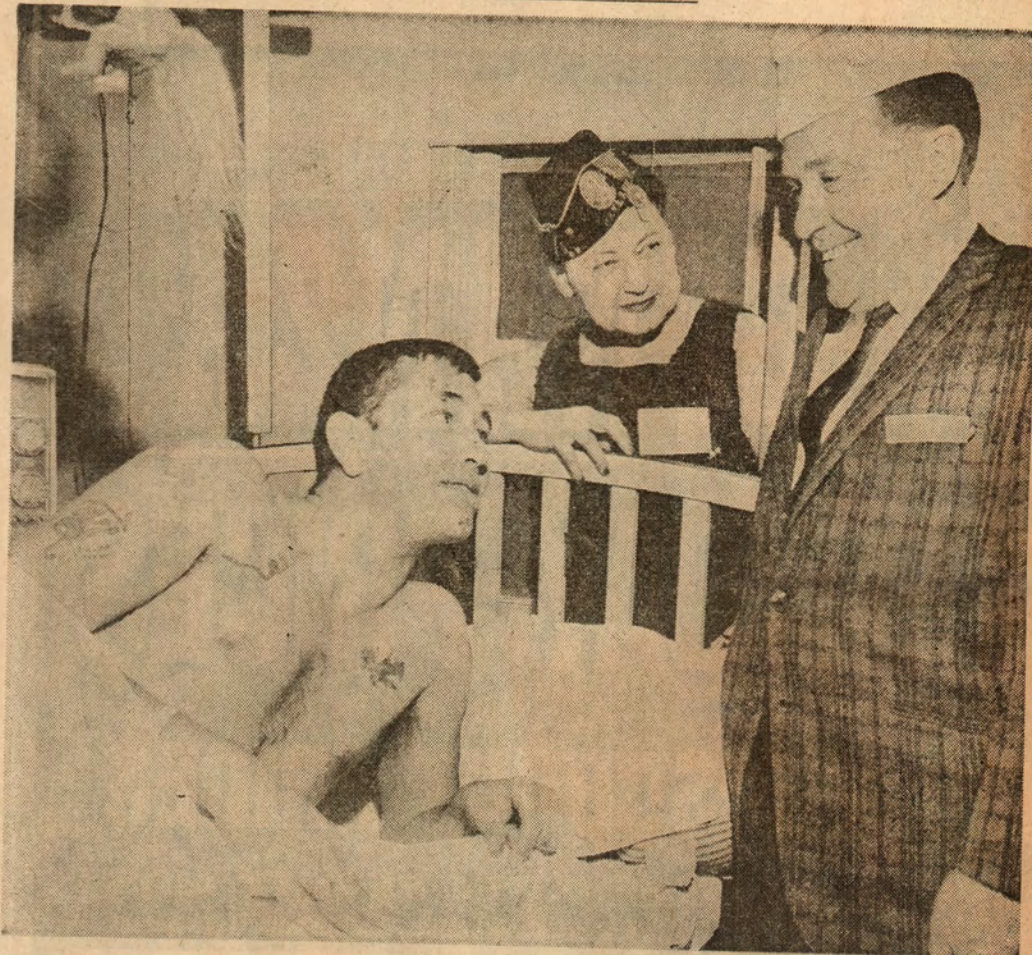
### World of Women

10-S Oakland Tribune Sun., Oct. 23, 1966



AMONG newcomers welcomed at an Officers' Wives Club brunch at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital were (from left) Mrs. Don Golladay, Mrs. William Kammerer and Mrs. Joel Reisman, whose husbands are interning at Oak Knoll this year. Mrs. Harold J. Cokely, wife of the hospital's commanding officer, was chairman, and president Mrs. Dana Goldthwaite served as hostess for the day.

26-A Oakland Tribune Wed., Oct. 26, 1966



VIET NAM VETERAN TERRANCE L. SNYDER JOINS OAKLAND DAV  
Chaplain Helen Sparrow and Robert Machado, vice commander, joined rites

### New Members for Veterans Chapter

In its first mass initiation since the Korean War, Oakland Chapter No. 7 of Disabled American Veterans has won 42 new members, all recipients of the Purple Heart.

The veterans, all wounded in Viet Nam, and undergoing treatment at Oakland Naval Hospital, received the traditional DAV initiation and obligation from past commanders John B. Engberg, Raymond P. Miller, and Leonard H. Olsen of Chapter 7.

"These young veterans are from every state in the union," commented Engberg, "and we are honored with their choice of our chapter."

The chapter, which was established in 1920, organizes numerous programs at Veterans Administration and Military hospitals in Alameda County. It assists its members with compensation, education, business and home loans, and a multitude of other services.



# Eureka Hasn't Forgotten Them

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Sun., Oct. 9, 1966 4C 7

By MIKE MEALEY

The city of Eureka took 12 Marines and a sailor hunting this weekend.

It was a happy time. No one got a deer, but it really didn't matter.

What mattered was that the Marines and the sailor were there, and, with help, could hunt.

They are amputees, men who have lost arms and legs fighting in Viet Nam.

They left Oakland Naval Hospital Friday and were flown to Eureka where they found a city waiting for them.

There have been receptions and welcoming committees, steak dinners, cold beer and good times.

"Everyone from a guy who drives a logging truck to a doctor made it possible," says Ervin C. Renner, veterans services officer for Humboldt County. The deer hunt was Renner's idea.

"I'm grateful beyond words for the way it's all turned out. The boys are pleased."

Following the Friday afternoon reception, each of the war veterans was assigned a host and a helper. Some went to cabins in the mountains, others stayed at the Eureka Inn.

The manager of the Inn donated rooms and meals. Cafe owners donated breakfasts on the early Saturday start of the hunt. Auto dealers furnished cars and trucks to transport the guests.

The Lion's Club collected money or hunting licenses. Eureka citizens put up rifles and ammunition for the men.

The Georgia Pacific Corp. and Simpson Timber Co., two of California's biggest lumber concerns, opened their timberland for the hunt. Volunteers helped sweep through canyons, to drive deer toward the tops of the canyons where the guests of honor were waiting, rifles ready.

There were some deer spotted, and a few shots fired, but no trophies.

At noon Saturday, the Sher-



MARINE AMPUTEE HEADED FOR EUREKA TO BE WELCOMED BY A CITY  
PFC Roy Guerra carried up ramp to plane that carried he and buddies north

Renner lost both his legs in the Battle of the Bulge during World War II, "and I know what it's like to get away from the hospital."

When he first approached local merchants about his idea "everyone thought it was great ... everybody wanted to do something. We're all grateful for the way it's turned out. We want to do it again. Everybody thinks it's been great."

It was a good weekend for the 40,000 residents of Eureka, 12 Marines and a sailor.

iff's Posse came with lunches, then, following the hunt, there was another gathering at the Eureka Inn for dinner. Later as guests of Humboldt State College's student body, the 13 patients — six of them in wheelchairs — went to the football game between Humboldt and Chico State.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars hosted the men at breakfast today. A luncheon was scheduled for noon, before the patients are put aboard their Navy plane for home.

Sgt. Marty Dow, 26, of Tucson, Ariz., who lost his legs south of Da Nang when he stepped on a mine four months ago, spoke for the group.

"It's been wonderful. We love it up here. It's going to be hard getting the guys to go back to the hospital. It's been just great."

Dow has been a hunter most of his life. For others, it was their first trip after deer.

Renner said he thought of the hunt last January, after hearing of a similar trip by amputees after pheasants.



ARRANGING FLOWERS FOR THE WARDS IS A RED CROSS PROJECT  
... Mrs. Woodford F. Harrison helps collect and arrange flowers

## Community Rallies To Viet Wounded

By SALLY HOLABIRD

This is where individuals help on a personal basis. They bring fresh flowers and home-made cookies and spend afternoons shopping for the bedridden, writing letters and running errands.

One volunteer declared: "Personal service volunteers are a vital link. Their importance is measured by the tremendous amount of services offered to the patients and volunteers."

American Red Cross chapters give much time to hospital volunteering as well as providing materials for recreation and guidance for the many other service groups. Red Cross volunteers average 116 monthly with an average of 52 service hours.

THE DAYS are long and lonely for the men in the hospital. Besides being grievously wounded, most are young and a long way from home.

### World of Women

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also the gratitude patients have upon seeing the friendly face of a volunteer."

ONE OF THE most helpful services provided for patients is motor service. Both the Berkeley and Oakland Red Cross chapters provide transportation for the patients and visiting relatives. Mrs. John Grover of the Berkeley chapter notes, "Motor service for out-patients is an important job, for without this, many would be unable to make their appointments at various clinics on the compound."

To break the monotony of long days bingo, bridge and birthday parties are arranged for the men by such groups as Eden Fleet Reserve 266; Navy Wives Club 108; Cooties and Silver Dollar Cootiettes (wives of servicemen in World War I); Native Daughters of the Golden West, Vallecito Parlor; Chapman and Imbach chapters of Veterans of Foreign Wars, as well as East Bay Armed Forces, which is a group of Jewish fraternal organizations coordinated under the Jewish Community Center.

THE LATTER group takes appropriate gifts to the men on special Jewish holidays. It's workers also take the men into private homes for a meal or an evening.

For ambulatory patients, the Red Cross provides weekly dances. For those confined to bed, both the College of the Holy Names and the University YWCA at Berkeley send college girls to act as hostesses at parties in the wards.

To get a look at the outside on a warm and sunny day, many of these same groups provide monthly picnics for the men. Those patients confined to bed are brought gifts and refreshments by the San Leandro Navy Mothers Club. Those confined to the closed psychiatric ward receive special lunches or desserts from the San Jose Navy Mothers Club, which also sponsors an annual picnic for the entire psychiatric ward.

A MONTHLY birthday cake fund is provided by the Berkeley Red Cross, and the Berkeley Elks Club arranges monthly birthday parties for patients in the psychiatric ward.

And there's music too. The Musicians Union, Local 6, pro-

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ELAINE ANTONGIOVANNI, JULIE ROSE AND MRS. HOWARD HORNER VISIT WAR VICTIMS  
... a long day of convalescence is broken for Nat Stevens and Howard Wieniewski

## Cheering The Viet Wounded

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vides a four-piece band which performs once a month in the Red Cross lounge. The Christian Western Music group brings spirituals and religious music into the wards.

Berkeley High Folk Singers, a student organization, entertains two wards every month.

An example of participation by lodge groups is the weekly gift of magazines by the Berkeley Elks Club, which also provides material for leather craft and takes the men on a monthly ice skating party.

Countless services can be and are being offered to the Naval hospital. And no matter how small the service may be, volunteers play a very important role in the progress of the patients.



# Experts Find Need For Sex Education

## Many Individuals Claim Instruction Should Be Improved

By CLIFF PLETSCHE

Two teen-agers "go too far" and are forced into an early marriage. She gets pregnant and he must go to work to support his family. Both become drop-outs. They are unprepared for marriage. They get a divorce. The baby is placed for adoption. A young man commits statutory rape. He's in trouble with the law and this is compounded

### FIGURE INCREASES

In the last 20 years the percentage of unwed mothers has tripled. Between 1960 and 1961 the number of venereal disease cases in persons under 20 years rose 50 per cent.

A mid-Victorian view of sex education is one of the primary catalysts.

Instruction in sex and birth is generally left up to parents, and this is not always sufficient. Outside the home there is little formal instruction available.

Experts in the field of sex education — and there are few — point to a frustrating "chicken-or-egg" circle and ask: Do you teach the adult so he can teach the offspring or do you teach the child to prepare him for adult life?

Basically, they agree the emphasis should be placed on imparting love and affection to the infant and on instructing him gradually as he grows. The natural setting for all this is the home.

Schools also have a role to play. There is one common point of



Frank talk on sex between mother and daughter can do much to prepare child for life as an adult

view: You cannot stop a young person from thinking about sex.

And ironically, youth must cope with what Capt. James P. Semmens, Navy obstetrician and sex education researcher, calls an "adult-created sexual revolution."

He adds they must face it "without moral standards and concepts that will enable them to compete in it."

There are immoral forces in our society working successfully against good moral standards.

The Rev. Fred B. Trevitt, pastor of the High Street Presbyterian Church, who has been consulting in the field for 25 years, believes the home and school must launch a strong counter-attack on off-beat philosophies.

The most popular current one, he notes, is the so-called "Play-

boy Philosophy," which, he says, states, "It's OK to be promiscuous as long as the girl doesn't get pregnant."

Captain Semmens, lecturer, author and consultant and one of the leading authorities in his field, points out that the dangers of illicit sex are pregnancy and venereal disease and the result is often a "hopelessly discontented human being who will never

properly adjust to marriage or to life itself."

Of the unwed mother, he says: "She will always feel like a used piece of merchandise, an unwanted commodity on the market."

Captain Semmens is quick to observe that because of improper or insufficient sex education

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## Area Public Schools Run Into Opposition From Some Groups

A drive is on in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties to bring sex education into all public school grades.

Just how successful this move will be is not known.

The public doesn't seem to be fully conditioned to sex education.

The Hayward Unified School District has offered a 12th grade sex education course—called "Sociology I—A Guide to Family Health Education"—since 1948 when high school seniors circulated petitions for it. Many other districts offer similar instruction.

Efforts to expand this to include all grades from kindergarten on up did not get firmly under way until 1960.

### BI-COUNTY GROUP

A 17-member bi-county Health Education Committee was formed with a group of educators, doctors and clergymen giving the big push.

The committee finished its assignment last year and its findings, which cover the whole range of health education, are being put into final form by an evaluation subcommittee.

However, its proposed curriculum includes only one sixth grade course in sex education since it was decided to turn over a concerted study of this phase to separate committees.

This decision was made at the urging of Dr. Oliver Byrd of Stanford University, committee chairman, who felt that sex education was not really a part of an overall health program and that "community understanding" would have to be sought

before it could be brought into the classroom.

A Contra Costa County committee recently prepared materials for sex instruction from kindergarten through the sixth grade.

These are now available to school districts, and Dr. William Blake, coordinator of health and physical education for the county, hopes that some of them will put them to use soon.

He said materials for instruction from the seventh to 12th grade will be prepared later.

In Alameda County, in 1964 the job fell to a group of doctors, teachers and clergymen from the Hayward, San Lorenzo and Castro Valley school districts.

Donald W. Oakes, director of secondary education, for the Hayward Unified School District and Mrs. Sylvia Moore, a school nurse, also of the Hayward district, have been the chief leaders of this committee.

It wound up its assignment this year and a smaller group of teachers has completed supplementary work.

### OPPOSITION

The Hayward board on Aug. 29 heard from the study committee and also from an opposition group, the Citizens Fact-Finding Committee.

All these findings are now being studied by Dr. William Cunningham, who will submit a report shortly.

The citizen's group has issued 11 recommendations, some of which conflict with the committee's study.

The citizens are urging, for in-

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## Experts Cite Reasons Why Sex Education Is Needed

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even the so-called normal marital state can be "fraught and compounded by misinformation, misunderstanding and the inability of the two individuals to communicate."

A distorted view of sex rather than a lack of sex education is likely to lead a young person into a life of crime, according to Capt. Robert Cazadd, head of the Oakland Police Department's juvenile division.

"Most juveniles arrested are sophisticated when it comes to sex and are liberal in their way of thinking," Captain Cazadd said.

"They are victims of the revolution in sexual freedom. Proper sex education in the home is important. Those parents who take the time to instruct their children in sex will also teach them respect for law and order."

Ignorance, fear and mistrust are widespread, particularly among parents.

Dr. H. L. Blum, Contra Costa County health officer, says: "Ignorance of sex, even among intelligent adults, is unbelievable. I could write a book that would be hysterically funny were the situation not so tragic."

The common burning question is: "When should I tell my child about sex?"

But it's not as simple as all that.

The Rev. Mr. Trevitt points out that the child will not ask the questions unless there is a well-established parent-child relationship.

He and Captain Semmens advise the basis for this relationship be laid in the cradle. A mother's affection toward the infant is extremely important.

"Parents don't realize how quickly children develop ideas about sex in their minds," the Rev. Mr. Trevitt said. "Even pictures of mother and baby animals in picture books are part of the learning process."

Captain Semmens suggests that a birth in the family might be a good time to tell siblings about some of the basic aspects of reproduction, providing they are capable of comprehension. Often parents fool themselves into believing they are experts and are doing an adequate job in instructing their offspring.

Dr. Vincent W. Cangello, prominent Oakland obstetrician and gynecologist who has lectured extensively, points out that "lack of awareness on the part of the parent that he or she is not doing a good job is a greater problem than the inability to impart knowledge about sex to children."

He advises: "Answer the child in words he understands and with an attitude that does not create confusion and a sense of shame."

One danger is what Dr. Cangello calls the "propagation of erroneous ideas" such as by the father who will tell his daughter something to scare her.

There is also the "clouded" approach, sometimes wrapped in the admonition: "Don't get into trouble." This is often not expanded to explain just what "trouble" the parent has in mind.

Or there is the moralistic "be good" method, which often begs the real question of "What is to be gained by being good?"

Dr. Cangello points out that adherence to a strict moral code is suitable for younger children, but when a child starts asking questions he wants facts and reasons.

When parents feel they are doing an inadequate job there are many sources of information such as the family doctor, minister, priest, psychiatrist, social worker or youth guidance counselor.

There are countless recordings, books and pamphlets on the subject. Once in a while a community organization will hold a forum.

Unfortunately outside the home there is not an effective, all-encompassing system of imparting sex education to children.

Even adult programs are limited in scope and number. Schools are way behind, mainly because of mistrust and fear on the part of parents and reluctance on the part of school boards to push sex education.

However, in Alameda and Contra Costa counties, some progress is being made as committees study kindergarten-through-12th grade family life education curricula.

Churches, the other repository of knowledge and guidance, are not any farther ahead.

There are no regular programs for children and the only adult ones are the Catholic Church's Pre-Cana and Cana Conferences. In these only a portion of the time is allotted to sex education.

Local government hasn't entered the field either.

Health departments in Alameda and Contra Costa counties do not have regular sex education programs, though they have cooperated with schools in developing programs, and sometimes help sponsor forums on venereal disease, family planning or illegitimacy.

Dr. James C. Malcolm, Alameda County health officer,



CAPT. JAMES SEMMENS



DR. VINCENT CANGELLO

believes this is a "real tragedy."

He points out two reasons for the deficiency: lack of money and manpower.

"With what we've got," he says, "the highest priority must go to the kids in school."

## Physicians Can Answer Questions

To whom is a person with a question on sex most likely to turn?

It's the family doctor with whom a person can usually speak frankly and fearlessly.

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists has recently recognized the strong need for educating physicians to handle these problems.

Capt. James P. Semmens, chief of obstetrics at Oakland Naval Hospital and former chairman of the college's committee on maternal health, has been the key leader in this educational drive throughout the country.

In 1962 there were only three medical schools in the U.S. offering courses in family life (sex) education.

"Schools operated on a tight schedule," Captain Semmens said, "and medical science courses took precedence."

His committee went to work, offering lectures and exhibits at various gatherings of medical men.

About 40,000 copies of Captain Semmens' booklet "Sex Education is a Professional Responsibility" are in circulation.

He receives numerous queries to present his views. Last year, only three years after Captain Semmens' committee started its work, 25 medical colleges across the country listed sex education courses.

## How Parents Can Find Information

A child's simple five-word question "Where do babies come from?" has thrown more than one parent into a tizzy.

It's not that the parent doesn't know. It is simply the query has come without forewarning and the parent hasn't given much thought on how to answer.

Shock, hesitation or a "snow job" could have tragic consequences.

Parents are advised to prepare themselves. There are more sources of knowledge than most believe.

Ready to give personal consultation are doctors, teachers, ministers, priests, psychiatrists, social workers, youth leaders and health officials.

Records, books and pamphlets can be obtained from libraries, doctors or churches.

Some of the better-known materials are:

"Sharing Sex Education," records by Gay Wetherill; "Christopher Recordings on Sex Instruction," David Treat's book "Interpreting Birth to Children," Ross Laboratories' folder, "How Your Children Learn About Sex," and the Child Study Group's paperback "What to Tell Your Children About Sex."

Public classes, meetings, forums, lectures and programs offered in the community are also available to parents. These are infrequent, unfortunately, and often include sex education as part of a broader discussion of family problems.

Nearly every large school district offers evening classes

which include the subject. Mental health associations sometimes sponsor forums.

The Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Society is ready to provide speakers for schools or organizations.

"All we need is to be asked," says Dr. Vincent W. Cangello, Oakland obstetrician.

One of the most successful adult programs is the series of Pre-Cana and Cana Conferences sponsored by the Oakland Catholic Diocese.

The Pre-Cana Conferences for engaged couples and newlyweds are held once a month, August through May, and the Cana Conferences for married couples are scheduled according to demand and are usually sponsored by a church organization.

There are 90 couples at each of the Pre-Cana sessions, including about 35 to 40 non-catholics, according to the Rev. James Bradshaw of St. Columba's Catholic Church.



# 'Sexual Responsibility' Stressed by Author

By EVA HODGES  
Denver Post Staff Writer

There is "no physician practicing today who has had a minute's training in human sexual response," the nation's leading expert in the field said at an international gathering Wednesday at Fitzsimons General Hospital.

Dr. William H. Masters of the Reproductive Biology Research Foundation of St.

Louis, Mo., was one of three panelists who discussed "Sexual Problems in the Female" at the 15th annual Armed Forces Seminar on Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Dr. Masters, a gynecologist, and Mrs. Virginia E. Johnson, a psychologist, are the authors of "Human Sexual Response," a report of the reactions of 382 women and 312 men who, under close laboratory supervision, engaged in sexual practices, in-

cluding intercourse and auto-stimulation. The report, published by Little, Brown & Co., was based on 11 years of research by the team.

Although some shocked citizens have denounced Dr. Masters as a "sex maniac" because of the study, it was apparent his fellow panelists regard him as a deliverer, sent to lead the nation out of the dark ages of ignorance about sex.

The three panel speakers held a press conference preceding their seminar appearance.

Dr. Kermit E. Krantz of the University of Kansas Medical School at Kansas City, Kan., said the Masters-Johnson study has "given us a real grounds for entering into honest sex education of the medical student."

Armed forces physicians have an oppor-

tunity "to do a great deal of (sex education) training, using Dr. Masters' material," said Capt. James P. Semmens of the U.S. Naval Hospital at Oakland, Calif.

Armed forces obstetricians "deliver more babies than any other group—100,000 a year—and 20 per cent of these are the result of premarital pregnancy," Captain Semmens said.

These "very young people who have been thrown very rapidly into marriage" come to their armed forces doctors "with sexual and physical complaints, many of which are psychically oriented."

Also in need of sex education, the captain added, is the soldier returning from Viet Nam after a long separation. "He expects his wife to be a Fanny Hill to make up for lost time. It just doesn't happen. He has a total misconception about sex from all the literature he has been exposed to."

## Pressure on Doctors

Dr. Masters said the study he co-authored has "put the pressure on the medical profession to accept problems in sexual inadequacy or to see that they are properly referred."

"What we are also doing," he added, "is taking advantage of the foot in the door to get sex education at all levels, starting with the professionals."

He is not interested simply in encouraging sex education in schools, the gynecologist explained. "We are interested in the whole family, which will face the problem of menstruation for the daughter, and puberty in the son. In the long run, we are trying to give preventive medicine, within the ethics of any given society."

Furthermore, Dr. Masters stressed, his

report says two things: "There is sex, which means sex activity, and there is sexuality, which is really a dimension, an expression of personality. What we are trying to teach is sexuality—and that ends up, hopefully, in teaching some concept of sexual responsibility."

## 'Closed-Door' Policy

A Fort Collins, Colo., mother asked Dr. Masters his position on whether college coeds should keep the doors of their rooms open or closed when entertaining a boyfriend. Some midwestern universities have accepted the "closed door," while Colorado State University at Fort Collins has not, she explained.

"If you're old enough to be trusted with a car, you're old enough to be trusted in a room with the door closed," Dr. Masters said.

Dr. Masters and Captain Semmens agreed they are "incredibly impressed" with today's teen-ager and his quest for honest answers.

"The big difference is that today's teen-ager wants information, and I was perfectly willing to accept what Pop said," Dr. Masters believes.

## 'Healthier Concept'

Captain Semmens said "their concept of sexuality is much healthier than ours," and that teen-agers with whom he met in California schools "are very upset with the general press which emphasizes teenage sex behavior, because that's what adults want to read about."

The seminar, held jointly with the Fifth Annual Meeting of the Armed Forces District of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, met Monday through Thursday at Fitzsimons.

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## Vets Yule Gift Drive Under Way

The 1966 Veterans Hospitals' Christmas Committee has launched its annual campaign — this year with the goal of \$18,100 — to bring holiday extras to patients in Oakland Naval Hospital and the Veterans Administration Hospital at Livermore.

"I didn't know so many people cared," said Marine Lance Cpl. John Dederich, a double amputee casualty from Viet Nam, at the kickoff meeting this week.

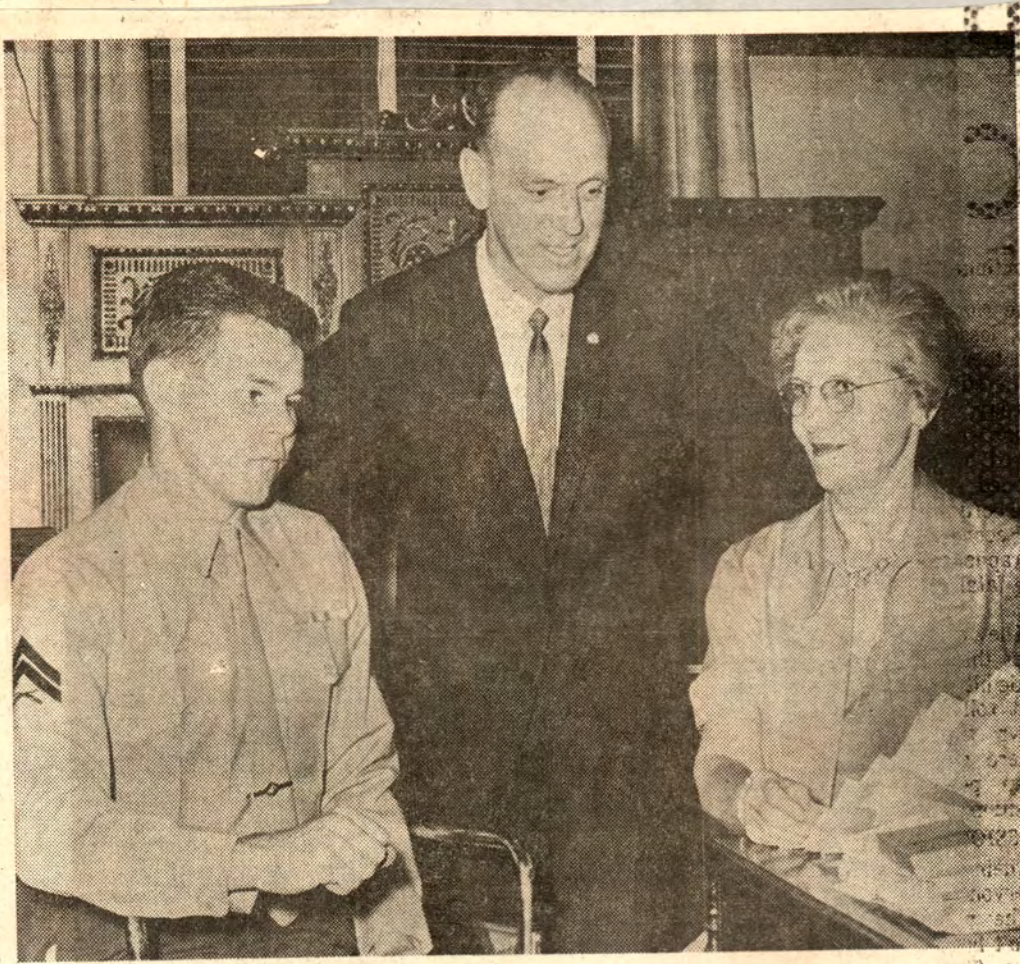
The initial effort brought \$597.50 into the coffers from the 86 organizations represented.

Dederich was one of the guests at the session.

Rear Admiral H. J. Cokely, commanding officer of the U.S. Naval Hospital in Oakland, was a keynote speaker.

"We are busier than ever this year," he said. "We expect about 175 more patients in the hospital this Christmas than we had last year."

"It's wonderful to see so many organizations united in this effort to brighten the



VETERANS HOSPITALS' CHRISTMAS COMMITTEE DRIVE UNDERWAY  
Viet Nam casualty John Dederich, with Allen F. Strutz and Mary Valle at kickoff

Christmas for these hospitalized patients."

Allen F. Strutz, committee president, said:

"It seems a long way to our

goal, but we must reassure our hospitalized patients in Alameda County that they will not be forgotten at Christmas time."

The funds will be used for

holiday decorations and individual gifts at the Naval Hospital in Oakland and the Veterans Administration Hospital in Livermore.

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## Christmas Committee Needs Help

For the past 42 years, the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee has been bringing an extra measure of joy and warmth to the servicemen confined to the Oakland Naval and Livermore Veterans' Hospitals. This holiday season — even with an enlarging war in Viet Nam in the background, will be no exception.

The committee, a distinguished group of volunteers from the Eastbay, has opened its 1966 fund-raising drive with an announced goal of \$18,100. The money will be used to decorate the two hospitals mentioned at Christmas time, to provide an individually wrapped Christmas gift for each patient and to stage a top-flight entertainment show at the hospitals during the holiday season.

A veterans hospital can be a lonely place during the Christmas season. Hos-

pital personnel do their best to brighten the wards and do what they can for the occasion. But Christmas is that special time of the year when thoughts of family and friends are focused in a man's mind.

When it is not always possible for a wounded or disabled serviceman to be with his loved ones during this joyous time of the year, the next best thing is for him to know that he has not been forgotten.

At the ceremony earlier this week opening the fund-raising drive, Marine Lance Cpl. John Dederich, a double amputee casualty from Viet Nam, said: "I didn't know so many people cared."

They do, and the committee hopes everyone will contribute to this year's drive to help bring a Merry Christmas to the veterans' hospitals.

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## Marines Mark 191st Anniversary Tomorrow

There will be a birthday cake in every Marine mess hall tomorrow as the corps celebrates its 191st anniversary.

The Athens Athletic Club will be the site of a tri-command ball tomorrow evening with officers from the 12th Marine Corps District, San Francisco; Marine Barracks, Treasure Island; and Marine Air Reserves, Alameda Naval Air Station, taking part. The ball, which starts at 7 p.m., is expected to attract about 200 officers and guests.

Similar observances by enlisted men and non-commissioned officers are scheduled at various military clubs.

Guest of honor at the Athens Club will be Lt. Gen. Robert O. Bare, retired, who presently lives at Carmel Valley.

Earlier in the day General Bare will be at the Oakland Naval Hospital where cake-cutting ceremonies will be held in the

auditorium at 12:45 p.m. Patients unable to attend will be served in the wards.

General Bare will present Bronze Star Medals to three men wounded in Viet Nam: Sgt. David J. Anderson, 25, Hollywood; Lance Corporal Bryant K. Foster, 19, Santa Cruz; and Cpl. Raymond C. Lopez, 24, Madera.



EXPERTS FORESEE A GOLDEN ERA OF SEX UNDERSTANDING  
From left, Capt. James P. Semmens, Dr. Kermit E. Krantz, Dr. William H. Masters, co-author of controversial new study of sexual response.





**SPECIAL VISIT** — Cotton Rossler of Marysville, producer of the rodeo at the Grand National Show, chats with Charles Cox of Florida, a patient at the Oakland Naval Hospital. Rossler was a member of a group from the Grand National show who visited the hospital Friday.

## Last Shows Today At Grand National

The Grand National Rodeo, Horse Show and Livestock Exposition closes its 22nd annual program today, with the "Night of Champions" spectacular at the Cow Palace in San Francisco.

Two co-stars of the long-time television series "Gunsmoke" — Milburn Stone (Doc) and Ken Curtis (Festus) — will appear at the final shows at 1:30 and 6:30 p.m.

Champions in the rodeo, horse show, cutting horse and other classifications will be chosen at tonight's performance. Rodeo participants are aiming at a share of a \$47,000 purse offered by the Grand National, and points toward the Rodeo Cowboy Association National Championship.

High point holders in the clas-

sic horse show will compete for championship honors and a share of \$70,000 in prizes. The \$1,000 stakes in the Tennessee walking horse competition also will be decided.

Al Ross, president of Doggie Diners, Inc., of Oakland, was top bidder Saturday for the Grand Champion Angus Steer, "Goodberry," with a bid of \$3.85 per pound. The champion steer weighed 940 pounds and was exhibited by Abbie Ryan of Hat Creek. Ross also made the top bid for the champion steer in 1964.

Carl Zwissig of Sunol paid 60 cents a pound for "Joe," the 995-pound Reserve Grand Champion Shorthorn steer, exhibited by Arlo Janssen of Lorraine, Kans.



In front of the reviewing stand, Marines wounded in Vietnam took the salute of the marching units.

## A Fine, Old-Fashioned Kind of Veteran's Day

By Ralph Craib

The 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month was observed in downtown Oakland yesterday in the way that it used to be observed everywhere.

Military, veterans and high school bands played, a few score veterans of wars past paraded, and baton-twirling majorettes from the age of five up suffered goosebumps in the brisk upper 60's temperature.

Crowds five and six deep lined Broadway near the reviewing stand between 17th and 19th streets, but elsewhere there were many vacant gaps along the sidewalks on the parade route. Police estimated the turnout at 50,000, and this was a liberal guess. Vendors, however, did do a brisk business in American and California State flags among the children sitting on curbstones.

"In San Francisco," said John K. Chapel, a local Oakland radio personality who was parade announcer, "it rained like, uh, hades Sunday and they had to cancel their parade. But we have no rain in Oakland. The weatherman has assured me personally that it won't rain."

The assurance was good—and only a few scattered drops fell from the dull grey skies.

A long line of convertibles carrying political figures and military dignitaries preceded the parade to the reviewing stand. But there was applause from the crowd only when sedans brought up the rear with young wounded Marines from Vietnam now convalescing at Oakland Naval Hospital.

Three legless Marines sat in a row, their wheelchairs on the sidewalk below the reviewing stand. Lance Corporal Juna Martinez, 19, and Private First Class Ray Guera, 21, who come from the same hometown, San Benito, Texas, but who met at Oak Knoll, and Lance Corporal David Munroe, 21, of Detroit, applauded marching units and bands as they strutted by. They saluted smartly as color guards of military units, veterans groups, fraternal organizations and Boy Scouts passed by.

It was, said an elderly man in a Veterans of Foreign Wars hat, "the best Veterans Day parade yet."

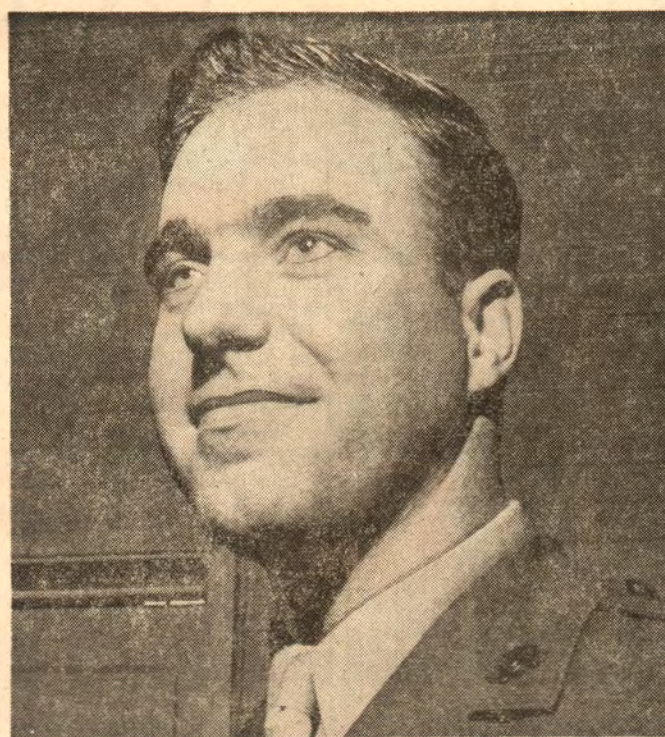
## Two Marines Earn Viet Nam Bronze Stars

Two young Marines were wearing the Bronze Star Medal for valor today at the Oakland Naval Hospital.

One of them, Sgt. David John Anderson, 25, of Hollywood, was presented the medal before his fellow Marines gathered in the hospital auditorium yesterday to celebrate the 191st birthday of "the Corps."

The other, Cpl. Raymond C. Lopez, 24, of Madera, received his in his hospital bed, where he is still being treated for the wounds he received in the action which earned his citation.

Sergeant Anderson was wounded Aug. 10 while directing covering fire for an assault on a Viet Cong position, when he disregarded his own injuries to pull wounded Marines to safety.



**BRONZE STAR FOR SGT. DAVID ANDERSON**  
Shares honors at hospital with Cpl. Raymond Lopez

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## Have You A TV Set To Spare?

Dorothy Mantinea of the Navy Regional Finance Center has mounted her own campaign to make life happier for amputees in the Oakland Naval Hospital. These men, many of them young veterans of Viet Nam, are confined to their beds for long periods. Dorothy asks generous Centerites to provide them with portable television sets, paperback books, and writing materials.

She and her NRFC co-workers have built up a fund to buy one TV set. Any other sets that employees can spare would be most welcome. Since some offerings may have mechanical flaws, Dorothy is also interested in reaching volunteer TV repairmen among the work force.

Paperback books and writing materials (such as ballpoint pens and stationery) may be delivered to Dorothy in Bldg. 311-4W. Or, if donations are sizable, Dorothy can be called to pick them up on ext. 5838. She will also pick up TV sets. These gifts, she emphasizes, are for men whose handicaps prevent their use of general hospital recreation facilities.

The Assn. of Women Supervisors, of which she is president, plans a separate project to benefit the patients in coming weeks.



# Tracy Press

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ACCOMPANIED by Marc Marchini, left, two wounded veterans of the war in Vietnam search for pheasants in the asparagus fern on the Marchini Ranch on Fabian Tract. The servicemen are Pvt. David Luzinas, 19, center, of Ridgecrest, Calif.,

an Army helicopter crewman in Vietnam, and PFC Ralph Mullins, 21, of Ingewood. He was an artillery forward observer with the 1st Cavalry (Airmobile) Division. Both are patients at Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco.



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SERVICEMEN who successfully hunted for pheasants in the Tracy area Saturday hold their bounty at the conclusion of the hunt. Left to right: Marine Major John Chritolos, Navy Corpsman Second Class Michael Brown, Army Private Douglas Jezek, Marine Private Jerry Stovall, Marine PFC Rodney

Grant, Marine Colonel Richard Batty, Marine Major Glenn Lawty, Navy Corpsman Raymond Menjou, Navy Seaman Apprentice Henry McGlothlin, Navy Corpsman Third Class David Brown and Marine Lance Corporal Robert Seibert.

## Servicemen Hunt for Pheasants

Ten hospitalized servicemen were in the vanguard of a small army of hunters who spread over Tracy area fields Saturday to open a pheasant season with the bang of shotguns and occasionally, a falling bird.

The servicemen—seven from Oakland Naval hospital and three from the Army's Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco—were guests of the Military Affairs Committee of the Tracy District Chamber of commerce.

Afternoon rains ham-

pered some of the hunting, but organizers and the servicemen alike called the hunt a success. All of the servicemen, except two, killed birds.

The tally for the day, including birds killed by host hunters: 43 pheasants, four sparrows and one rabbit.

"Man, this is the first time I've ever been hunting. I think it's great," declared Navy Seaman Apprentice Henry Glothia of Dallas, Tex.

The servicemen, many wounded in Vietnam, were brought by Tracyites from the Bay Area early Saturday morning. At the Tracy Wildlife Association's Oak Island, they were served coffee and donuts by a committee headed by Louis Galli, wildlife president, and then met their hunting companions from Tracy.

Serving as hunter-guides were Fred Picchi, Rich Rose, Tony Traina, Dale Robinson, John Iriart, Jerry Robinson, Joe Toste,

Jim Meservy, Joe Wilson, Bill Atkinson, Leonard Dias, Cyril Lamb, Marc Marchini, Sam Hill, Paul Rinauro, Steve Donley, Mike Erceg, Julius Traina, John Telleria, Jim McClure and Joe Wagner.

Two groups headed east, one stopping at Joe Tiago's farm near Mossdale and another going to the Picchi ranch on the east side of the San Joaquin River.

Other groups spread over the Delta, with one hunting on L.N. Robinson farms on Roberts Island, another at Riverview Farms on Mandeville Island, at California Packing Corporation on Union Island, at Marchini Farms on Union Island and on Fabian Tract land farmed by Steve Galenti and Robertson Bros.

At mid-day, a barbecued hamburger lunch was served at Oak Island. Benas, salad and soft drinks completed the meal. Floyd San Julian was head chef, assisted by Fred Icardi, John

Serpa and Galli.

After lunch, the groups moved out to their hunting areas again, returning by 4 p.m., when the servicemen cleaned up at the Tracy High gym.

That evening, the day of hunting was climaxed by a dinner at Luigi's Restaurant. Marine Reserve Major Joe Tiago, who completed many of the arrangements for the hunt, served as master of ceremonies.

Special guests included Councilmen Willard Souza and Bill Adams and City Manager Warren Benson.

Each of the servicemen was presented an engraved hand warmer as a souvenir of the occasion. They took the pheasants back to the hospitals with them.

Working on the committee for the hunt were Tiago, Commander Lawrence Rich, Lewis Jost, San Julian, Galli, Tony Traina, Howard Black, John Serpa, Danny Palomino and Sam Matthews.

## Ex-Navy Nurse Wouldn't Retire

One would think that a woman who spent 23 years on the go as a Navy nurse, and another four years as a volunteer among disabled veterans, would be content to retire gracefully.

But not Miss Mary Lindner, 58, who left the Navy as a commander in 1959 and launched into a busy civic and business career which led to her being named "Woman of the Year" by the Oakland Chapter of the American Business Women's Association in 1963.

She's recently extended her tour of duty with VISTA (Volunteer in Service to America), a federal War on Poverty project, and will spend an additional three months of work among the poverty-stricken migrant workers in Maricopa County, Ariz.

There, she tells The Tribune, she has joined forces with the county's public health department and is working as a nurse and nutritionist.

"We see all types of patients," she says. "During the winter months a child with bronchial pneumonia is as com-

mon as a child cutting teeth. In addition to nursing — she sometimes travels up to 130 miles daily in a mobile medical lab — she holds nutrition classes in day care centers.

"The basic fare for farm workers," she said, "is fried potatoes, beans and tortillas — hardly a balanced diet for people who work in the fields all day."

Miss Lindner, who has been in Arizona for the past 15 months, said that Head Start programs — another facet of the War on Poverty — and health clinics manned by volunteers could be major factors in solving the educational and health problems of migrant children.

She added that more VISTA volunteers are needed to help deprived people "develop independence and pride instead of dependence on the government for a living."

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## World of Women

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## New JANGO Class Due

Beginning Tuesday, Oakland Naval Hospital will train another class of JANGOs — daughters of officers in the Armed Forces, aged 14 to 21.

Application forms, due Thursday, may be obtained by telephoning the chief nurse's office at Oak Knoll.

Founded in 1942 in Washington, D.C., the Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization is a national service group aiming to acquaint girls with the nursing profession and to give them a feeling of community service.

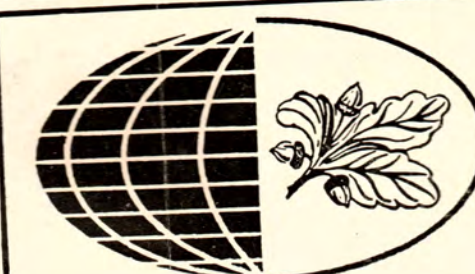
The girls receive 24 hours of classroom instruction from a Navy Nurse Corps officer, followed by 76 hours of supervised work in the hospital's dependent wards. Duties include bed making, giving bed baths, taking temperatures, assisting with admission and

discharge of patients, running errands for patients, and aiding in many other ways to make the bedridden stay pleasant.

JANGOs wear attractive blue pinafores with red and white trim. They are capped upon completion of their 100 hours of training. From there in, serving as a school schedule allows, the young volun-

teers earn pins and chevrons as they reach various milestones in their service.

On special "JANGO days" the girls work, have lunch together, and hear a lecture by a staff doctor.



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## New JANGO Training Set At Oak Knoll

The Oakland Naval Hospital will train another class of JANGOs, beginning Tuesday, Dec. 27. Application forms must be in by Dec. 1. They may be obtained by telephoning the office of the chief nurse at the hospital, 569-8211, ext. 246 or 245.

JANGOs must be from 14 to 21 years old and be daughters of officers in the armed forces.

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## NAVY TIMES (Weekend)

OAKLAND, Calif. — Miss Patricia Nachin headed the honors list at graduation exercises as six Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization aides were capped as volunteers at the Oakland Naval Hospital. Miss Nachin spent 322 hours on volunteer duty during her summer vacation. Other graduates were Misses Jan Mul-larky, Lynne Tiffany, Jo Gregory, Margaret Fenton and Christine Sutton.





**NOT QUITE TRADITIONAL**—Former Marine Bill Blazek of San Leandro, a patient at Oakland Naval Hospital, passed up the normal turkey dinner yesterday in favor of a New York steak. He also could have selected baked pineapple duckling or frogs' legs. And, of course, turkey.



**CHOW TIME**—Gerald Moore digs into turkey dinner at his bed at Oakland Naval Hospital, served by Navy Corpsman Michael Harper (left).

*Bill Fiset*  
... Man Alive ...

**The Old Tongue**

Superior Court in Martinez. The couple is appearing for the fifth time in five years, adopting their fifth child in that time. All five kids are from Italian orphanages. The father is credit manager for a bottling company. Who says credit managers are cold hearts?

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You carry an item and someone proves you a liar, invariably, but in the nicest way. Some months back I reported on the four Alameda Naval officers' wives who threw an early Thanksgiving dinner—"having their turkey now instead of in November." I think I said—because their husbands were sailing for Viet Nam. Well, to prove me wrong the four wives had another turkey dinner yesterday—for amputee Viet Nam vets from Oakland Naval Hospital . . . About that, what do you give the woman who has everything? A Hillsborough husband just sent Oakland Naval Hospital \$100 "for the veterans," explaining it's what he'd normally spend on an anniversary present for his wife. She wanted it that way.

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**OFFICIALS READY DECORATIONS**—Christmas decorations for the Oakland Naval Hospital and the Veterans Administration Hospital at Livermore are being checked by (from left, front) Peter Kristich, personnel chairman of the Veterans Hospitals' Christmas Committee; and Joseph C. Jones, assistant coordinator at the Livermore facility; (at rear) Capt. Dean Schufeldt, executive officer; and Arthur H. Kightlanger, coordinator at the Navy hospital.

## Give for Those Who Gave

Many servicemen have given an arm or leg in defense of their country, or are in poor health for other service-connected reasons.

The Veterans Hospitals' Christmas Committee has asked that appreciation be shown these men who are going to be confined to hospitals for the Christmas holidays.

Many citizens have answered the Committee's call, but more help is still needed.

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Total \$ 538.50  
Previously acknowledged 111,107.22  
Total to date \$117,645.72



# Robin Orr

... The Social Circle ...

## At the Harvest Ball

DESPITE stiff competition on the Saturday night social front, the Oakland Symphony Guild's Harvest Moon Ball, 1966 edition of the Allegro Ball, was probably one of the most successful in the history of the symphony benefit.

More than 400 glamorously clad symphony supporters streamed into Number Ten Jack London Square from cocktail parties around town Saturday evening, to be greeted by Symphony Association President and Mrs. J. Allen Bray, Symphony Guild President Mrs. Meyer Diamond and Dr. Diamond, and by the Allegro Ball Queen, beautiful Charlene Dallas, Miss California of 1966.



Charlene wore the same gown she had worn for the Miss America competition in Atlantic City, an Emma Domb original with crystal sprinkled white point d'esprit cage over a white sheath, a tiara of brilliants in her dark hair.

Mrs. Bernard Benz, chairman of the ball, wore a green chiffon cage over an empire gown with crystal encrusted bodice, her red hair swooped up with pos-tiche and green orchids added.

There were numerous other fanciful coiffures. Mrs. David Tucker Jr., the glamorous mother of two sets of twins, also wore her hair high with hairpiece added (Kay Coiffures had done hers). Mrs. Harold Jones, a pretty redhead in turquoise, had a high "do" (by Allen Mesaris of Mr. Bret's), and Mrs. Hal Rumbel (hairstyle by Andy Mann) wore her hair high and laced with fresh rosebuds.

Mrs. Rumbel and her husband, Dr. Rumbel, were with an attractive group of young doctors and their wives. Included were Dr. and Mrs. Michael Bellows, Dr. and Mrs. Tom Piatt, Dr. and Mrs. Edward Spiegel and Dr. and Mrs. John Metheny.

Saturday's Allegro Ball also brought an evening pants suit to the Oakland social scene. Mrs. Jack Tupper, the cute blonde who modeled the slinky sequin gown at the University House fashion show with such flair this fall, turned up at the ball in gold lame pants and a brown lace cage.

Other standouts in the fashion department included Mrs. William Silver, stunning in a lavender ribbed satin great coat by Jean Louis, which she doffed to reveal a harmonizing gown of citron and lavender. Bobbie Ferer wore a marvelous black and silver checkered sequin coat her husband, Erwin, had brought her from Hong Kong.

Mrs. Gordon Gardner and Mrs. Don Andrews, good friends who hadn't checked with one another in advance, turned up in identical emerald green satin brocade dresses, enjoyed the turn of events immensely.

The Norman Polses were there, she striking in a black and gold brocade gown by Richard Tam, he providing running commentary on the ball and the ball-goers.

Comdr. and Mrs. Eugene Sizemore were over from Fresno for the weekend and the ball. He is a squadron commander off the Enterprise and based at Lemoore Naval Air Station. They were weekend houseguests of the Ernest Whartons in Piedmont, attended the ball as guests of the Robert Holroyds, were joined by Lt. G. R. Looney, USN (MC) of Oakland Naval Hospital, and his date, a Navy nurse who outranks him, Lt. Comdr. Catherine McHenry.

## Under an Allegro Moon



LT. COMDR. CATHERINE McHENRY OUTRANKED DATE ... Lt. G. R. Looney (left), Comdr. Eugene Sizemore



MR. AND MRS. ALVIN SWANSON JR. ... in the Allegro Ball throng

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ON OCTOBER 14, 1966, in the Marine Barracks' Commanding Officer's office, then Staff Sergeant Wiener was promoted to Second Lieutenant. Colonel H. C. Parks, Barracks' Commanding Officer, congratulates Second Lieutenant Wiener on his promotion to his present rank while Sergeant Major Anderson, Marine Barracks Sergeant Major looks on. Lieutenant Wiener is presently working at the Naval Hospital, Oakland, pending a forthcoming transfer to the Aloha State.



# Give—For a Vet Patient



**MARINE SGT. RAY GRONER RECUPERATES HERE**  
Viet Nam veteran had two brushes with death

"They thought that all three of us were going to die the first night, but I told the CO (commanding officer) to tell my mother I was going to be all right."

These were the words of United States Marine Corps Sergeant Ray Charles Groner, 22, of Seattle, Wash., as he described the circumstances last Aug. 11 that brought him from Chu Lai, Viet Nam to the Oakland Naval Hospital.

"Myself and two other men were moving equipment from one tent to another when we came across some old boxes of ammunition. This one guy picked up a grenade sack and took a white phosphorous grenade out. The thing went off in his hand."

The next thing I knew, I was lying outside the tent. My first instinct was to run — so I ran up the hill to get help."

Sgt. Groner had only been in Viet Nam four months, but this was the second time that he battled death and won. Just after he arrived, he was assigned to drive the company commander's jeep. While on a routine mission, he ran over an American artillery shell that had been booby-trapped by the Viet Cong. As luck would have it, one of the wires on the shell had broken, and it failed to explode.

"I have no bad feelings about going back there at all. There is a job to do and somebody has to do it," Sgt. Groner said in answer to the question, "how do you feel about going back to Viet Nam?" But he added that he would like to be stationed in the state of Washington when he gets out of the hospital.

He is recovering from second and third degree burns over nearly 50 per cent of his body. One of the three men died, and the other is still receiving treatment for burns suffered as a result of the explosion.

As the Tribune photographer left the Sergeant's bedside, he asked if it was possible to get a copy of the picture that was taken of him during an interview. He said it was the first taken of him since all his freckles had been burned off.

Ray said that he and other servicemen in the ward appreciate what the Veterans Hospital Christmas Committee is doing. The committee is raising \$18,100

to bring a little joy into the hearts of those who have served so well, and will be in the hospital during the holidays.

## Give for Givers

Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee,  
4444 East 14th St.,  
Oakland 1, California, 94601

This is my way of saying "Merry Christmas" to the wounded and ill men and women in Alameda County's two military and veterans hospitals.

Here is my gift of \$.....to help you reach your goal of \$18,100 for gifts, entertainment and Christmas decorations for these men and women.

NAME .....

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This coupon may be mailed or presented in person with contributions to the committee office.

## Vet Patient Recalls Viet Ordeal

"I had given up hope and passed out a couple of times. I had been lying there about 14 hours when I woke up, saw the helicopters, and tried to signal them. But I couldn't move."

Navy Hospitalman Terry C. Long, 22, of Siletz, Ore., has been at the Oakland Naval Hospital since Aug. 15. He was wounded by automatic weapons fire while tending a mortally wounded marine near Chu Lai, Viet Nam.

"During Operation Colorado," Terry related in a hospital interview, "I was kneeling beside this wounded marine, trying to render aid, when automatic rifle fire erupted from the brush. I took two slugs in the right thigh. I gave myself a shot of morphine to kill the pain."

"The patrol moved out after the attackers and I was left in the field with a lot of others. I couldn't hear any of the other guys, so I thought that they were all dead."

"I heard this noise in the bushes, but I wasn't sure whether it was our guys or theirs, so I played dead. Two Viet Cong came up and kicked me around. They took all my things, weapon, medical bag, and other personal effects."

"It took them 10 to 15 minutes to do their searching, but it seemed like 10 to 15 years. The only thing I thought of while this was going on was that I wished that they would hurry up."

"I laid there all night, hoping that they wouldn't come back. That is the longest night that I ever spent. I had given up and passed out a couple of times."

After the helicopter flew over without seeing him, Terry decided that he had better try and move out of the hot sun that was beginning to climb in the sky.

About two hours later, he heard voices, American voices. Two medics came across Terry while searching the area for wounded.

"I was never so happy to see two guys in my whole life," Long said.

This was not the only close call that Terry had had with death.

On an earlier patrol some villagers he had treated offered his detachment the village schoolhouse as shelter.

"I was on radio watch when a couple of the enemy snuck through the lines. It was late at night, and everybody was asleep," Terry said.

"I heard one of them pull the pin on a grenade and yelled 'grenade!' Nobody heard me. I crawled under a bench just before it went off," he continued.

"I don't think any one was killed, but they were all hurt bad enough so that they never came back to the company. I was the only one not scratched."

When asked where he wanted to be stationed when he got out of the Oakland Naval Hospital, he answered with a smile, "when I get out of here I will be out of the Navy. Then I want to go to school to study Business Administration or Accounting. My father is an accountant."

Terry Long will spend the Christmas holidays in the Naval Hospital, away from his family and hometown friends. But the



**CHRISTMAS IN HOSPITAL FOR TERRY LONG**  
Navy Hospitalman once left for dead in Viet Nam

Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee is endeavoring to add a little joy for Terry and several hundred other servicemen who will spend the holiday season there and in the Veterans Administration Hospital at Livermore.

*Bill Fiset*  
... Man Alive ...

Dennis Flynn, a dentist at Oakland Naval Hospital, shudders at those stories about Western Air Lines' proposal for "nonstop daily flights between Oakland and Hawaii." Flynn has made the trip four times, "and frankly I wouldn't consider it if it were NOT nonstop." Well, that's an outgrowth from the days when planes hopped to S.F. before going anywhere. Anywhere else, that is.

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## Another JANGO Class at Hospital

Oakland Naval Hospital will train another class of JANGOs beginning Tuesday, Dec. 27.

JANGOs must be from 14 to 21 years old and be daughters of officers in the armed forces.

JANGO (Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization) is a national organization founded in Washington, D.C., in 1942.

The girls receive 24

hours of classroom instruction from a Navy Nurse Corps Officer. This will be followed by 76 hours of supervised work in the hospital's dependent wards. Duties include bed making, giving bed baths, taking temperatures, assisting with admission and discharge of patients, running errands for patients, and aiding in many other ways to make the patients' hospital stay pleasant.



**JUNIOR ARMY-NAVY GUILD ORGANIZATION**

## NEWSLETTER

JANGO, INC. Henderson Hall, Arlington, Virginia 22214

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OAKLAND, US Naval Hospital, Calif - There was no question about who headed the class when six young JANGOs were graduated at Naval Hospital, Oakland, recently....Patricia Nachin served the hospital 322 hrs during her vacation. In addition to her cap and certificate, she earned her pin and her 200-hr and 300-hr chevrons. She is still going strong, according to word from the office of the hospital's chief nurse....Jan Mullarky earned her pin and one chevron, and Lynne Tiffany received her pin and cap simultaneously....Others graduating were Jo Gregory, Margaret Fenton, and Christine Sutton....The girls were capped by CDR Marcella Smith, Ch of the Nursing Service. Rear Adm H.J. Cokely, MC,USN, Cmdg Officer of the hospital, presented the certificates and thanked the girls for their contribution to the hospital; their parents for sparing them from home duties....Seventeen JANGOs, new and 'old', were luncheon guests at the Cmdg Officer's quarters, Sat, 5 Nov....Mrs. Cokely, wife of Rear Adm Harold J. Cokely, is honorary JANGO guild chairman. She regularly assists on special JANGO days when the girls work on the wards in the morning, have lunch together, hear a talk by a staff doctor, see an educational movie, or tour a special department of the hospital....Mrs. George E. Cruft is JANGO chairman; LCDR Ruth C. Pampush, nursing instructor.

PORTSMOUTH, US Naval Hospital, N.H. - The capping ceremony for the fourth class of JANGOs of the Portsmouth Naval Hospital took place at the Commissioned Officers Mess, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard....Capt Karl V. Kaess, Cmdg Officer of the Portsmouth Naval Hospital, welcomed the girls and presented their



# Patient In VA Hospital Recalls 'Longest Night'

By DOUG EATON

"I sure thought that I was a goner when that guy jumped into my fox hole and shot me."

Lance Cpl. Richard L. Iverson, a 20-year-old Marine from Fort Collins, Colo., had only been in Viet Nam about eight months when his outfit was called on to support another unit during Operation "Sparrow Hawk" last August.

"At about 2 p.m. we were trying to hold a hill near the demilitarized zone when we came under attack by a large force of Viet Cong," Iverson said.

"The helicopters came in to evacuate us, and picked up all but 16 of us. When the choppers came back to pick up the rest of us, they came under heavy attack and were forced to leave without us," Iverson continued.

## PREPARE POSITIONS

"We figured that we were going to have to spend the night so we began to prepare our positions. All of a sudden a large group of the enemy rushed us. We were under heavy attack by small arms, grenades, and, I think, a recoilless rifle.

"One of them must have snuck in close enough to throw a grenade. I never saw it, but it blew me out of my fox hole. When I came to, I crawled back into my hole and tried to take up a position. The next thing I knew there was this guy standing over me with a grin on his face. I guess he wanted to make sure I didn't fight anymore, because he shot me in the side. He jumped out of the hole and started up the hill and somebody shot him.

"I don't know how long I laid there, but my buddy, Doug Van o f Carmichael, Sacramento County, had crawled down the hill to help me. He dragged me back up to the top of the hill where the rest of the group had gathered."

When Iverson said this, a big smile of pride and satisfaction came across the face of Perry Van, who had come down from Carmichael to visit his son's buddy.

## 'KEPT RUSHING US'

Iverson continued: "It was one of the longest nights that I have ever spent. They just kept rushing us. I tried to help but I couldn't hold my rifle. So I took grenades out of packets that had been dropped by air during the night and threw them around to the rest of the guys.

"I didn't give up faith. I knew that help would come in the morning."

Help did come in the morning. At first light an assault wave of helicopters came in with reinforcements, and the 16 men who had spent the night on the hill were evacuated. All but Doug Van suffered wounds.

As a result of this action, Richard received multiple fractures of the left leg, a bullet wound in the side, and numerous wounds from grenade fragments.

## UNIT CHIEF HONORED

His company commander was recommended for the Congressional Medal of Honor, the nation's highest award for bravery, for his action during the night.

Richard will spend the Christmas Holidays confined to the Oakland Naval Hospital away from his family and loved ones. But the Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee is trying to add a little joy for Richard and countless other servicemen who will spend the holiday season there and in the Veterans Administration Hospital at Livermore.

The latest donors are:

OAKLAND	
In memory of Capt. Clinton J. Thro, U.S. Navy	\$5.00
The American Legion, Oakland	\$5.00
Post Five	\$10.00
Beta Epsilon Chi	\$5.00
Mrs. Clinton Woodward	\$5.00
Mr. Milton Coleman	\$5.00



**HOSPITAL FUND WILL BRIGHTEN HIS CHRISTMAS**  
Richard L. Iverson, 20, was wounded by Viet Cong.

# Mercy Flight to Save a Little Girl

A 5-year-old San Jose girl was in Toronto, Canada, today for a rare heart operation because of the concern of Capt. Delmer J. Pascoe, chief of pediatrics at Oakland Naval Hospital.

Dr. William Mustard, the surgeon who originated the new technique a year ago, agreed to operate on Allyson Burleson at Captain Pascoe's request. Without the operation she might not live more than a year.

The Air Force arranged a spe-

cial non-stop jet flight from Travis Air Force Base yesterday for the little girl and her parents, Electrician's Mate 2-C and Mrs. George Burleson, of 4189 Barrymore Drive, San Jose. Burleson is assigned to Moffett Field.

Allyson was born with a heart defect known as transposition of the great vessels, it was explained today by Lt. David Zlotnick of the Pediatric-Cardiology Clinic at the Naval Hospital.

This makes the supply of oxy-

gen in her blood inadequate, resulting in progressive thickening of the blood, a bluish skin color, increasing disability and death. The defect was surgically in-

correctible until Dr. Mustard developed a procedure for shunting more of the blood from the body circulation to the lungs for oxygenation, Lieutenant Zlotnick said.

Open heart surgery using a heart-lung machine will be performed at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children after Allyson un-

dergoes at least three days of observation. Expenses are being paid by a government provision for Navy families needing hospitalization not available within a certain radius from their homes, according to Naval Hospital spokes-

men. Burleson, 32, and his wife Frankie, 30, have four other children who are being cared for by relatives during the two weeks they expect to be in Toronto.

# Special Flight To Surgery For Bay Girl

A little girl with a serious heart defect was flown in a special jet airplane yesterday from Travis Air Force Base to Toronto for delicate surgery.

Spokesmen at Oakland Naval Hospital said 5-year-old Allyson Burleson, daughter of Electrician's Mate George Burleson, made the flight after doctors agreed her best chances for survival depended upon a Toronto heart specialist.

The child suffers from transposition of the heart vessels, said Lieutenant David Zlotnick, Navy doctor, a condition which could lead to death within a year without surgery.

The Navy, which will pay transportation and all other costs, saw her off accompanied by her parents, of 4189 Barrymore drive in San Jose.

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# Christmas in A Hospital



Little Allyson Burleson, 5, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Burleson, San Jose, will probably spend Christmas in a Toronto hospital. Doctors give her a 50-80 per cent chance of surviving a delicate heart operation.—(AP)





AP Wirephoto

## Gift of Life

Doctors at the Hospital for Sick Children at Toronto, Ont., successfully operated on Allyson Burleson, 6, of San Jose, who was suffering from transposition of the great vessels of the heart. Born a blue baby, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Burleson.





**AIR SCOUTS** — Bill Griffith, top, and Gary Centoni help decorate Oakland Naval Hospital for Christmas.

## Big Turnout For Ward Trimming

More than 500 persons turned out at the Oakland Naval Hospital and the Veterans Administration Hospital at Livermore over the weekend to help decorate the wards, hallways and grounds for Christmas.

Arthur Ames, advisor to the coordinators of both hospitals said, "it is very gratifying that there are so many civic minded people in the area."

Ames publicly thanked the

many volunteers who helped. There was such a great response to the appeal for help that there just wasn't enough jobs for all the people.

"We don't want people to get discouraged, because we are going to need help again next year," Ames said.

With this great task done, two items remain on the agenda. One will take place tonight at

Oakland and tomorrow night at Livermore. It is the annual Christmas show put on for the servicemen at the hospitals by professional entertainers.

The other item is the annual visit of Santa Claus Christmas Day.

The Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee is slightly more than \$2,000 over their announced goal of \$18,100. This

year's extra money will be used to purchase decorations at out of season prices, gifts, and other related items for next year.

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**HOSPITAL GIFTS**—Mrs. Dorothy Mantineo (left), president of the Naval supply Center Association of Women Supervisors, and Mrs. Mildred Silcox, special projects chairman for the Supply Center Association of Women Supervisors, presented seven new

television sets and homemade cookies to patients at Oakland Naval Hospital. Aviation Ordnanceman First Class James K. Johnston (second from left), and Lance Corporal Robert H. Morphis, USMC, of Russellville, Ark., accepted on behalf of all the patients.

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## A Gift For the Veterans

Happier holidays for Viet Nam veterans at Oakland Naval Hospital is the goal of Laurondale Business and Professional Women's Club of Oakland, which is foregoing its usual exchange of gifts in favor of donations for a new television set. The latter will be presented to an Oak Knoll ward Saturday, Dec. 17, at Laurondale's Christmas party by (from left) president Peggy Stevens, Mrs. Robert Jacobs and Marie Alves, former presidents. Others in the presentation group are Janice Ferris, Daisy Wilburn, Jan Mathis, Mrs. Frederick Burrer, Mrs. Eddythe Peirce and Mrs. Mary Muller.

## Christmas Party For Vets

Thanks to Dublin Y.Wives and their husbands, Christmas will be brighter for Vietnam veterans locally hospitalized — some bedridden, many without relatives or close friends at hand.

The YWCA branch members and their spouses are collecting money from the community for purchase of gifts "for the boys back home from Vietnam."

Robert Wyatt is spearheading the drive in the Walnut Creek area. Persons wishing to contribute money, time or gifts are asked to contact Mrs. Wyatt or Mrs. George Seger, both of Dublin.

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*Bill Fiset*

... Man Alive ...

Oakland Naval Hospital turned out its 1967 calendars, passed a lot of them out and then Mary Jean Vossler discovered that "Naval" was spelled "Navel," which isn't so hot even for the obstetrics ward ... Cleve and Marion Rosenberg, an Oakland couple, have already given each other their Christmas presents — two checks made out to the Fred Finch Home for Children, and THAT is Christmas spirit ... Charles Borgsted, who played saxophone at dances around the Bay Area for years (he's from Hayward), won an air medal and two clusters while on 75 missions as an Army helicopter pilot in Vietnam, then was transferred to Europe flying top brass around. His parents just heard from him. In his spare time in Germany he's — playing saxophone at benefits ... KCBS got its advance rundown on Art Linkletter's House Party and everyone should tune in Thursday. "Art Linkletter gives a serviceman's wife a chance to send a letter to her lover in Vietnam." I guess the show is no longer the family type.





COMMANDER WYNN F. FOSTER

# His Luck Ran Out--Then Held On

By LLOYD BOLES

At 8 a.m. the weather was brilliantly clear as the A-4 Skyhawk hurtled off the deck of the Attack Carrier Oriskany, arced into a climbing turn and circled for a rendezvous with three other Skyhawks.

Over the Gulf of Tonkin the flight split off into pairs. Their destination: oil depots at Vinh, 20 miles south of Haiphong in North Vietnam.

Comdr. Wynn F. Foster, commanding officer of Attack Squadron 163, ordered two of the group to approach from the north. He and his fledgling wingmate, Lt. (jg) Tom Spitzer, of Baldwin, N.D., took the southern approach.

At almost the moment the deep blue water merged into the jagged brown coastline of North Vietnam, the anti-aircraft shells opened up, their 57mm shells splitting the air with sulphur-colored bursts.

"We started 'jinking' (dodging) but the flak got heavier," said Foster, 17 years in the Navy and a jet veteran of the Korean War.

"Then bang! Two 57mm burst under my right wing. Flak ripped through the underside of

the aircraft and coursed upward, tearing my canopy half off.

"I started to reach for something. Then I noticed it. My right arm was gone.

"I kind of searched for it for a second. I thought to myself, 'Is this for real?'"

"Tom told me that my aircraft was full of holes and fuel was streaming from my tanks.

"I told him to get out of here and get back to the ship. But he stayed close, relaying communications between the ship and me.

"We determined that it was a 'friendly' 20 miles away from us.

"I saw stars around the fringes and I said, 'Don't pass out.' The blood was really squirting out, but there was no pain. Every few seconds I would reach up with my left hand and clamp it around my right arm at the shoulder to shut down the flow of blood.

"I figured the destroyer, the U.S.S. Reeves, a flotilla leader, was about seven minutes away. I took all the necessary ditching procedures. That is, all I could think of. I adjusted my Mae West, checked the fuel, watched

my instruments.

"All the time I kept thinking, 'Is this really happening to me?'"

"We couldn't see the destroyer at first. Then we let down through a cloud layer and there she was! A beautiful, beautiful sight.

"I waved to Tom and then hit the eject. The chute billowed out and there I was, dangling, peacefully, under a blue, blue sky. A war? What war? I thought.

"I held onto my arm but the blood continued to drip and I thought of my suit being soiled.

"Out of the corner of my eye I saw my skyhawk nose into the gulf, kicking up a geyser of foam.

"I pulled my glove off with my teeth and let it go. It floated lazily. I watched it, fascinated that it didn't descend any faster than I was.

"Tom circled but I was too weak to wave. I inflated my Mae West.

"All of a sudden the water came up. I hit and submerged and then popped right up.

"It seemed almost immediately that a whaleboat from the destroyer showed up. They pulled me aboard. I told a sailor to get

a morphine syrette from my sleeve pocket and inject me. He did. A corpsman in the boat gave me plasma substitute.

"I received emergency treatment on the destroyer and in about an hour a chopper picked me up and took me back to the Oriskany where surgeons removed what was left of my arm.

"I knew then my days of operational (carrier) flying were over.

"But I intend to fly again — perhaps on a limited basis. And I intend to stay in the Navy.

Surgeons and orthopedists at the Oakland Naval Hospital today are attempting to make his intentions come true.

But it's been a long haul since that bright July 23 morning over the Gulf of Tonkin.

Before any prosthetic device can be fitted, the bone in his right arm had to be lengthened. Surgeons took a five-inch section of bone from his lower right leg and grafted it onto the bone stump on his right arm to give the device more anchorage.

"It may be many months before we know how the graft will take," said Foster. After that, the prosthetic device, a plastic

arm with a scissors-like hook, will be attached. They even have a cosmetic hand—the fingers don't work, of course—which can be interchanged for dress purposes."

While awaiting the outcome of the bone graft, he reads prodigiously to maintain his naval proficiency. He lives at present at the Lemoore Naval Air Station near Fresno—but Jerome, Ariz. is his home town—with his wife, Marilyn, and three children, Corrine, 15, Scott, 13, and Amy, 6.

He commutes by air once a week from Lemoore to the Naval Hospital here for a progress check. He admits that doing without a right arm for a right-handed person does have some disadvantages.

"It's a little difficult, of course, to answer Christmas cards," he said with a broad smile. "But things could be a lot tougher on me and my family."

"Just look at what happened to Tom," he said quietly.

Tom Spitzer, his wingmate, stayed with the Oriskany, and was one of 41 men who perished during a magnesium-fed holocaust which swept the carrier on Oct. 26.

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## Surgery Reported Success On Girl With Open Heart

TORONTO — A team of skilled surgeons in Toronto, Canada, using a technique developed by one of them only a year ago, reported a five-year-old San Jose girl in "real good

shape" after six hours and 35 minutes on the operating table yesterday.

A dozen doctors and nurses, headed by Dr. William Mustard of Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children, carried out the involved operation.

Their patient was little Allyson Beanna Burleson of San Jose.

Allyson was born with the great vessels in her heart transposed and with a hole in her heart to complicate her situation.

She was taken to Toronto by U.S. Air Force jet on the recommendation of Capt. Delmer J. Pascoe, chief of pediatrics at Oakland Naval Hospital.

Captain Pascoe examined Allyson and concluded that she might not live a year without

undergoing the new operation developed by Dr. Mustard.

The Canadian medical team transposed the great vessels of Allyson's heart to their proper position and closed up the hole that caused her to be born a blue baby.

"Everything went fine," Dr. Mustard told the girl's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Burleson, who were flown to Toronto with her.

The Burlesons have four other children who are in the care of relatives in San Jose.

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## Girls Cheer Sick Veterans

Any serviceman or ex-GI can tell you that APC tablets are considered the cure-all in the military.

But this is not the case for those in the Veterans Administration Hospital at Livermore and the Oakland Naval Hospital.

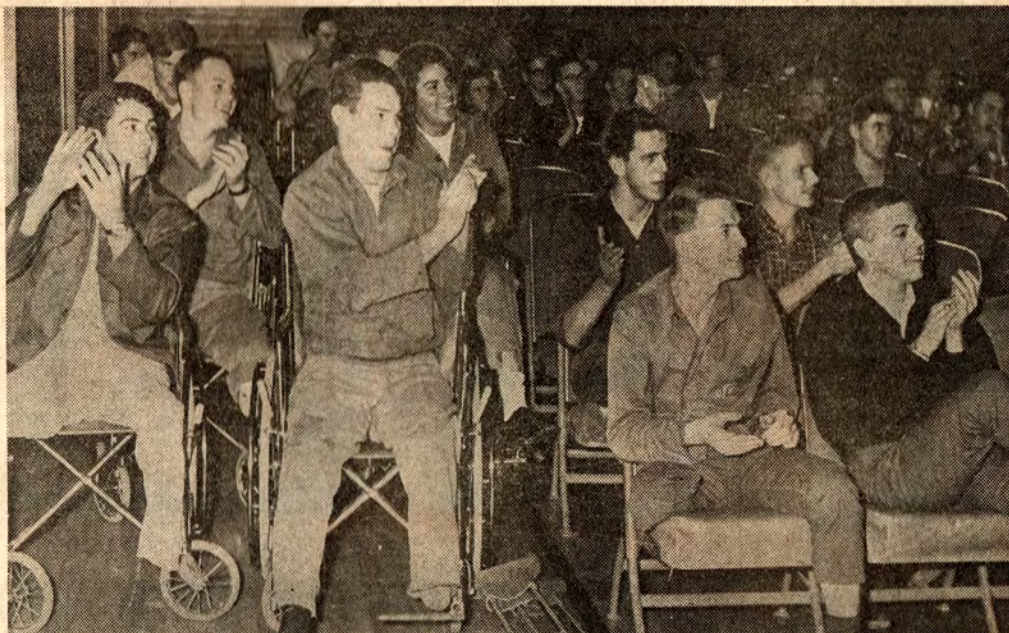
As far as they are concerned the new cure-all is GIRLS. Earlier this week a troupe of professional entertainers, including dancing girls in brief costumes and a very shapely female singer toured the wards of the two facilities. After the tour, they put on a variety show for those able to leave their beds.

The shouts of glee and the smiles that came to the faces of some of the men made one wonder about the miraculous recoveries possible if the girls should enlist.

The show and tour was made possible by the thousands of contributions that have poured into the Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee.

The latest donors are:

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G. C. Badley	5.00



SERVICEMEN WHISTLE, CLAP, AND CHEER FOR DANCING GIRLS  
The scene at the annual show put on at the Oakland Naval Hospital

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## And Still He Smiles

### Mother and Son Again Together

By JIM HAZELWOOD

It was a bittersweet Christmas reunion for the blonde, still-handsome widow from Texas and her only son.

"Just a few minutes now," the doctors told her. "He's still in pain and we've given him sedation."

Then Mrs. Thelma Ideus of Corpus Christi parted the curtains in the intensive care ward at Oakland Naval Hospital and stepped in to see her son.

Lance Corporal Daniel B. Ideus, 21, smiled wanly and embraced his mother.

He tried to explain what had happened to him earlier this month in Vietnam.

A bullet in the back which has damaged the spine . . . infection in his kidneys . . . other complications. The words tumbled out and Mrs. Ideus hushed her son. She had already been fully briefed by the doctors.

She went straight to the hospital yesterday from the airport, tired from the long trip and the fussy details of taking a month off from her job with the Corpus Christi Bank and Trust Co.

"I feel like a cigarette that has been smoked out," she said yesterday as she prepared for another visit with Danny.

"It's the third time he has been wounded, you know," she said. "He already has a Purple Heart."

Then she showed clippings from the home town newspapers describing Danny's previous, less serious war injuries.

"His father died when he was 10 months old," she said. "I went to work and I supported him and his two sisters."

Both sisters are married now, one lives in Corpus Christi and the other in Tennessee.

Mrs. Ideus put the clippings back in her purse and mused a moment about her son before he joined the Marines.

"He was interested in sports," she said. "Hot car racing . . . fishing . . . hunting. He shot his first buck at the age of 15."

Danny was too sick to talk to a reporter, but a photographer



CHRISTMAS REUNION FOR MARINE AND MOTHER  
Mrs. Thelma Ideus, Lance Cpl. Daniel B. Ideus in hospital

went to his room just long enough to take a picture of him and his mother.

After the picture was taken, Danny painfully raised his arm from the bed and shook his hand.

"Thank you," he said. "Then he looked at his mother. 'Seeing her is the best medicine I could ever have,' he said."

Mrs. Ideus's Christmas visit with her son will be paid for by Operation Sleighride, a joint program to reunite wounded armed forces personnel with their families at Christmas.

Operation Sleighride is spearheaded by Amvets and assisted

by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Red Cross and the Oakland Naval Hospital.

Proceeds from the fourth annual Amvets Variety Show in the Oakland Auditorium theater today at 8:15 p.m. will help pay for the Christmas airlift.

Four young Marines, all amputees, have already been reunited with their families at home, from Oklahoma to Los Angeles.

Lance Corporal Daniel B. Ideus won't be able to go home for a long, long time.

But at least he won't spend Christmas alone.



# Dorothy's Campaign Grows

## 'Operation Oak Knoll' Cheers Hospitalized Vets

When Dorothy Mantineo of the Navy Regional Finance Center made known her concern for amputees at the Oakland Naval Hospital (Oak Leaf, Nov. 7), she started a wave of giving that is spreading throughout the Center and elsewhere. The patients, many of them teen-age veterans of Viet Nam, are confined to bed for long periods. Dorothy asked for contributions to them of portable television sets, hardcover and paperback books, and writing materials.

The Assn. of Women Supervisors, of which Dorothy is president, has undertaken "Operation Oak Knoll," to collect gifts for the veterans. The results so far have been gratifying.

Money has been contributed to buy six new portable TV sets which cost about \$100 each. The Purchase Dept. and Office of Counsel contributed money for two. Funds for two more came from the Bay Area Chapter, American Society of Military Comptrollers. The Navy Regional Finance Center gave money for one, and \$60 toward a second TV set. The Assn. of Women Supervisors paid for one, and added \$24 toward a second. Donors from other departments gave \$29.

In addition, eight used portable TVs have been offered by Centerites. Repairs will be made by Alameda Naval Air Station technicians on their own time, without charge, and with parts furnished at cost.

Money to buy TV sets can be sent to Dorothy Mantineo, NRFC, Bldg. 311-W, code FCA. Call her on X5838 if you have a used portable to donate.

Meanwhile, many books have been given. Margaret Sloan of Material Dept., who has been collecting them for the hospital

for more than a year, arranges delivery. She is in Bldg. 341 at Code 306.31. Margaret, who is not a member of AWS, also gave to the TV fund, and collected money from her co-workers to buy 24 writing tablets and 600

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## Gift Drive for Amputees Gains Momentum on Center

(Continued from page 1) envelopes for the Oak Knoll patients.

Jean Strebel of the Planning and Comptroller Dept. has baked 60 dozen cookies for the patients, and hopes that other Centerites will help to insure a weekly supply of 20 dozen. Coni Meagher delivers them to the hospital within 24 hours. Anyone who can make cookies or candy, or can donate the ingredients, may call Jean on ext. 5452.

### SPREADS OFF-CENTER

Operation Oak Knoll has spread outside of NSCO. Bobbie Hooper of P&CD's Accounting Division, a non-member of the Assn. of Women Supervisors, told her husband Ron about the project. Ron, who works for the Owens-Illinois firm spoke to its local welfare council.

That employees' group raised money to take 20 Oak Knoll patients to an Oakland Raiders

football game, and also gave each patient \$2. The welfare council is planning another outing for the patients.

The Naval Sea Cadet Corps unit USS Preble, which drills at the Fuel Dept. at Pt. Molate, is also helping out, at the instigation of Lieutenant Roy Seymour, the group's administrative officer. Seymour, who personally is donating about 300 books, has asked his boys to see what they can do.

He said, "Let's make a good showing so that we can show our appreciation to the Navy for the many generous things that they have done for us, unstinting and without strings."

The Sea Cadet Corps is eligible to receive used uniforms that the Navy no longer needs, and Seymour added, "Remember that the uniform you are wearing today may have belonged to one of the sailors lying in a bed at the hospital right now."

A more general sentiment was expressed by Arthur Yawman of the Purchase Dept., which with the Office of Counsel donated money for two new portable TV sets. Yawman said:

"All too often, we who are engaged in the logistics support of our Pacific forces lose sight of the sacrifices made by the men in the front lines and the resulting burdens they bear. We hope this token of our appreciation will in a small way express our gratitude to these men and let them know that we do care."

The Assn. of Women Supervisors intends to keep up Operation Oak Knoll as long as there is a need.

# Bill Fiset

... Man Alive ...

The East-bay has plenty of people who feel for Viet Nam vets at Oakland Naval Hospital. By two days before Thanksgiving every patient capable of leaving the hospital for dinner out had been invited by some family. Those who couldn't leave, but had no family of their own, were joined for dinner AT the hospital by families-for-the-day . . . At Chabot College both Bill Veneman and Bill Woodley (and many others), married students on the G.I. Bill since last July, still have NOT received a single payment from the government. The best explanation they've gotten: computer trouble. They're writing their senators.

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# AM AND FM

KLAC, which has now made the Joe Pyne conversation program with soldiers in Vietnam talking to relatives at home an annual affair, announced that all Webster exchanges were tied up throughout the morning last Thursday. But, what the station is also doing to help morale is of far more importance. KLAC has made arrangements with Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco, and with Oak Knoll Veterans' Hospital in Oakland through Admiral H. J. Cokely, to have recently returned wounded veterans receive a surprise telephone call from a loved one here in the Southland. Lohman and Barkley, of KLAC, talk to the wounded vet then put the relative on the phone, much to the surprise and delight of the vet. The station deserves a commendation.

NAVAL SUPPLY CENTER  
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

# OAK



# LEAF

"SUPERMARKET FOR  
THE PACIFIC FLEET"

20 December 1966

### Also Cookies, Candy

## 11 Portable TV Sets Donated To Patients at Oak Knoll

Eleven new portable TV sets now have been procured for "Operation Oak Knoll," the Assn. of Women Supervisors' drive to collect gifts for patients at the Oakland Naval Hospital, many of whom are teen-age veterans of Viet Nam. Seven sets recently were presented at Oak Knoll (photo at left). Two each were donated by the Women Supervisors, the Navy Regional Finance Office, and the American Society of Military Comptrollers. The seventh was purchased with donations from individuals in various components of NSC Oakland.

Two other sets have been donated by the Purchase Dept. and Office of Counsel, and an additional two (making the 11) will be delivered this week. One is from Center employees, the other from an outside organization, the Laurendale Business and Professional Women's Club.

Daisy Wilburn of the Inventory Control Dept., a member of the Women Supervisors, showed her fellow BPWC members an article on the campaign that appeared in the Nov. 28 Oak Leaf. As a result, the club members donated to the TV fund instead of spending money on Christmas gifts for one another. The club then held a bazaar to raise the remainder of the money needed.

The Assn. of Women Supervisors has a goal of 24 new portable TV sets, so 13 more are needed. Groups that would like to contribute can procure a set for \$76.86, including tax.

Donor plaques will be furnished by Dorothy Mantineo's husband, Ralph.

Meanwhile, women of the Naval Supply Center and its tenant activities have been responding generously to the plea for candy and cookies for the hos-

pital patients. The appeal was made by the Women Supervisors and in the Nov. 28 Oak Leaf.

Among the latest donors, ladies of the Navy Regional Finance Center have made 16 pounds of candy and 84 dozen cookies. As to the Naval Supply Center, Marion Horn of Inventory Control baked 25 dozen cookies. Lorraine Schnabel and Jean Pyle of Data Processing joined forces for 30 dozen. (See photo at left for Ernestine Miller's contribution.)

### FROM NOW ON

The goal is 20 dozen a week from now on. Gifts of sugar, flour, and nuts have been made, but more are needed. Call Jean Strebel, cookie chairman, on ext. 5452.



FROM PEOPLE WHO CARE

The Navy Regional Finance Center and the Assn. of Women Supervisors are represented at the Oakland Naval Hospital when new portable TV sets are presented to the orthopedic wards. At left and right are Dorothy Mantineo of NRFC, president of AWS, and Mildred Silcox of NSCO's Accounting Division, in charge of AWS publicity for the hospital project. They are feeding cookies to double amputee James K. Johnson, Navy aviation ordnanceman first class, and Robert H. Morphis, Marine lance corporal. Johnson was a victim of the fire on USS Oriskany. The cookies were made by Ernestine Miller of the Disposal Division. Also representing NRFC at the hospital were Commander Oullette and Vivian Howe (inset in photo). Vivian, a GS-3 clerk typist, gave \$10 for NRFC's first contribution toward the purchase of TV sets. She is a girl who really cares.





## Fiset's A-Way

... SAKES ALIVE ...

Bill Fiset's resting up for the big weekend ahead. His column will resume tomorrow, we hope.

**TIME TO REMEMBER** — Christmas can be lonely for a wounded Marine whose family is far away. This patient at Oakland Naval Hospital pauses to reflect before annual holiday dinner.



**BEDSIDE CHEER**—Mrs. Eleanor Zoske and her daughter, Stephanie (right), pay Christmas visit to Richard Iverson at Oakland Naval Hospital. They were among hundreds who spent holiday with patients.



**MERRY CHRISTMAS** — Brig. Carl Andreason of the Salvation Army and Viola Thordarson, volunteer worker, serve Christmas dinners at the Chinese Community Center to homeless persons.

## Yule Angels Bring Cheer



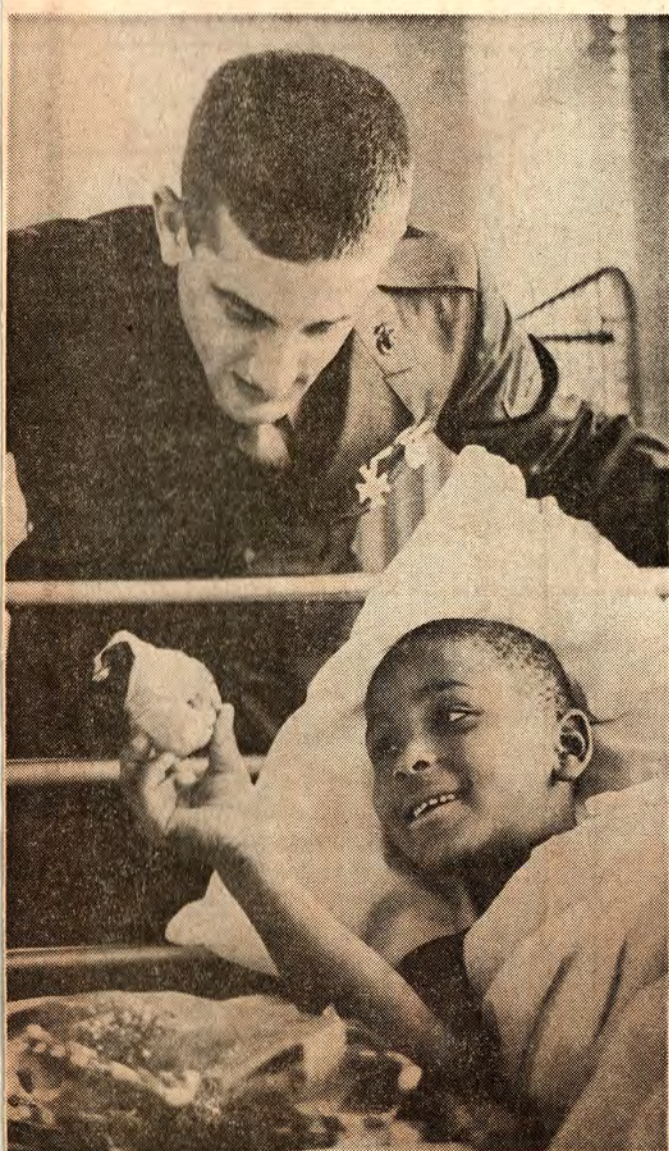
**CALIFORNIA CHOIR AT HIROSHIMA MONUMENT**—The high school a cappella choir from Lodi, Calif., singing Christmas hymns in front of the Atomic Bomb Monument in Hiroshima. The 49-member choir climaxed their Christmas program with a rendition of "Kimigayo," Japan's national anthem, in Japanese.



**CHRISTMAS GREENERY** — Dollar bills are distributed to underprivileged children at the Oakland Elks Club Christmas party by Santa Claus and John L. McDonnell Jr.



**PENSIVE PUFF** — Happiness is a Christmas cigar for this man at Oakland Naval Hospital.



**SMALL GIFT** — Children's Hospital patient Joe Lee Hammer is delighted with Christmas present from Marine Lance Cpl. Jeff Jernigan, who visited ward.

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**CHIEF JUSTICE AT REUNION**—U.S. Chief Justice and Mrs. Earl Warren gather with their flock of children and grandchildren at the family's annual Christmas Eve reunion at son James C. Warren's Conn Valley ranch. Mrs. Warren holds youngest grandchild, Nina Elizabeth Daly. From left, standing in rear, are grandsons James Warren Jr., Jeff Warren, daughter, Dorothy Clemente, son-in-law John Daly, daughter-in-law Margaret Warren, grandson John Warren, daughter Virginia Daly, Mrs. B. E. Jessee and daughter Nina (Honey Bear) Brien. Other children are Earl J. Daly, J. Warren Daly, Earl, Heather and Willie Brien.



**CHRISTMAS CHOW** — Knee-deep in Christmas food boxes distributed by the Oakland Police Welfare Association to needy families are Sam Mullins, president (left) and Leo Poundorf, of Auto Storage and Boat Co.,





DIANE PHILLIPS OF CONCORD AND ANN NELSON OF PLEASANT HILL  
... Marine Corporal Max Brewer of 29 Palms and Seaman Kent Larsen of Treasure Island

## USO's Festive Yule

St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church parish hall in Concord provided the setting for the USO Mobile Unit holiday party honoring servicemen from the Marines, Navy, Air Force and Army stationed at Oakland Army Terminal, Oakland Naval Hospital, Treasure Island, Mare Island, Hamilton Air Force Base and Concord Weapons Station. Pink and silver ornaments, Christmas wreaths and pine cone arrangements lent a festive air to the dinner dance, where special guests were Mrs. Marjorie Sheffield, executive director of United Service Organization for the Bay Area, and Mary Ann Bouey, USO field director. Young women from Pleasant Hill, Walnut Creek, Danville, Alamo, Martinez and Concord served as junior hostesses at the affair, according to press chairman Mrs. Jack G. Nelson. Buffet supper was donated and served by parish women; live music, by two area musical groups — the Ebb Tides and Variations.



CATHY SCHOLTZ AND SEAMAN JOHN GRIFFIN  
... she's from Walnut Creek, he's from Hunters Point



AIRMAN DANIEL SALVINO AND MONICA BYERS  
... of Hamilton Base and Pleasant Hill



ALBERT PEREZ, JOAN WEEKS, ROBERTO ESTRELLA AND JOANNE McKINNEY  
... junior volunteer hostesses are from Pittsburg and Martinez

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### The Weather

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## Meet Miss Eastbay Of 1967

Miss Eastbay 1967 is eight-pound, four-ounce Karen Ann Ratto of Dublin, who arrived just 15 seconds after the New Year was born.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Ratto, 11439 Rampart Drive, Karen was born at 12:00:15 a.m. yesterday in St. Rose Hospital at Hayward.

First reaction of the mother: "I'm just happy."

Mrs. Ratto, 30, conferred with her husband, 31, and selected Karen Ann as a name for no other reason than "we just wanted a nice name."

Ratto is a cabinet maker in Berkeley. Mrs. Ratto is a first grade school teacher at Sequoia Elementary School in Hayward.

First reported 1967 baby born in Oakland was a seven-pound, 4½-ounce girl who arrived at 1:20 a.m. in Peralta Hospital, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gin, 1768 28th Ave.

Other early 1967 arrivals in Eastbay hospitals:

At 12:32 a.m., a son to Mr. and Mrs. William Evans, 3930 Via Estrella, Martinez, in Kaiser Hospital at Walnut Creek.

At 1:14 a.m., a son to Mr. and Mrs. Arnold J. Finocchio, 3921 Almond Wood Court, Concord, in Concord Community Hospital.

At 1:50 a.m., a son to Army Pvt. E2 Mario and Mrs. Fissore in Oakland Naval Hospital. The father is now stationed in Germany.

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After Christmas leave in San Diego, Rear Admiral and Mrs. Harold J. Cokely of the Oakland Naval Hospital are returning to Oakland for the New Year's Eve formal at the hospital officers' club.

Part of the celebration will include a double cake-cutting by Mrs. Cokely and Mrs. Dean Schufeldt, the wife of Oak Knoll's executive officer. Both have Jan. 1 birthdays.

While the Cokelys were in San Diego, they visited their daughter and son-in-law, Cmdr. and Mrs. Michael A. Quartararo, who were in the city after a three-year tour of duty in Honolulu.

—N. L. T.

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OFFICIAL VISIT—Mrs. Betty Bean (right) Department of California president of the Marine Corps League Auxiliary, is welcomed at a ceremony in Oakland's Veterans Memorial Building as she makes her official visit to the Fifth and Sixth Districts, encompassing the greater Bay Area. With her are (left) Isabel Rusk, president of the Oakland unit, and Alma Steinbeck, district president. While here yesterday Mrs. Bean also visited the amputee ward of Oakland Naval Hospital.



## Flying Cross For Injured Navy Pilot

Navy Cmdr. Wynn F. Foster of Jerome, Ariz., a veteran of 160 air missions over Vietnam, was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross at Oakland Naval Hospital yesterday.

The medal was given for "extraordinary achievement" in leading an attack against a transshipment area at Nam Dinh, North Vietnam last July 14.

He lost his right arm nine days later when his jet bomber from the carrier, USS Oriskany, was hit by a 55 mm anti-aircraft shell during a raid on North Vietnam oil installations.

The citation accompanying the DFC was signed by Adm. Roy L. Johnson, commander-in-chief, Pacific Fleet.

Commander Foster, while awaiting results of a bone graft to prepare for fitting with a prosthetic arm, is living at Lemoore Naval Air Station with his wife, Marilyn, and their three children.

(BELOW) Vietnam veterans enjoyed an outing while patients at the Oak Knoll, Calif., hospital.



# Leatherneck

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## Navy Gets Green Light for \$7 Million Housing Program

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A total of 400 housing units costing \$7 million have won the go-ahead for construction at the Alameda Naval Air Station and Oakland Naval Hospital.

It is part of a \$546 million program for military construction in Northern California.

The housing was approved by Congress nearly two years ago but the funds were held up by Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara as

non-essential to the Vietnam war effort at the time.

The Alameda Air Station will get 364 units of housing and the Naval Hospital 36 at a cost of \$17,500 per unit, all for enlisted personnel and their families. Bids will be called about June 30, construction is scheduled to start in August and completion is scheduled within a year.

Plans call for a two-story townhouse type of construction, probably with stucco fin-

There are to be 200 fourish, at the Naval Air Station, bedroom units and 164 three-bedroom units. The Naval Hospital will get two apartment buildings, each with 18 three-bedroom units and will have access to some units at the Alameda Station if needed.

The Naval Air Station units will be built in the B-2 area, near the East gate at the end of Atlantic Avenue and on the Estuary Housing site near the

Todd Shipyard. The Navy obtained this land several years ago from the University of California in a trade for the Savo Island property in

Berkeley.

The Navy Hospital buildings will occupy the site cleared two years ago near the

present Officers Club.

In addition to the housing, the Alameda installation will get \$700,000 for rehabilitation

of barracks on the station and \$84,000 for an aircraft fire and crash station.

A Navy spokesman said the Naval Air Station has never had sufficient housing for its

personnel. Besides 949 adequate quarters on the station the Navy has under lease five apartments in Oakland and 95 in Hayward, with a waiting list of 400.

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## Funds for Hundreds Of Navy House Units

There soon will be 300 new Navy housing units distributed between Treasure Island and San Francisco Naval shipyard, the Defense Department disclosed today.

There also will be 400 new units at Alameda Naval Air Station and Oakland Naval Hospital; 300 at Moffett Naval Air Station in Sunnyvale; and 208 at the Naval Post Graduate School in Monterey.

The new construction was assured Friday when Defense Secretary Robert S.

McNamara released \$30 million for defense spending in the 12th Naval District with headquarters here.

It is estimated that \$2,227,200 will be devoted immediately to housing, with the remainder to be spent on purely military construction.

A spokesman for 12th Naval District said the district's engineering command in San Bruno will begin advertising for bids in the near future.

Each housing unit is estimated to cost approximately \$17,500.

## Talks, Ceremonies Planned For Navy League Meeting

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More than 400 delegates, some of them from as far away as Alaska and Hawaii, are expected to attend the Western sectional conference of the Navy League of the United States which will be held at Jack London Square Wednesday through Friday.

The conference will be hosted by the Oakland Council of the organization, headed by John R. Janney.

Vice Adm. Lawson P. Ramage, chief of staff for the Pacific Fleet, will be principal speaker. His address on "Sea Power in Vietnam" will be given during luncheon on Thursday at the Alameda Naval Air Station Commissioned Officers' Mess.

Capt. I. J. Gersuk, commanding officer of the USS Pyro, will describe his experiences in Vietnam at a Thursday morning session.

Other highlights of the conference will include a Sea Cadet program; dedication of Nimitz Field and an air show at Alameda Naval Air Station; a golf tournament at Round Hill Country Club; a panel discussion on "Support in Southeast Asia," with emphasis of logistics supply operations from the Bay Area to

the war zone; a session on Navy prosthetic research by Capt. F. L. Golbranson, of the Oakland Naval Hospital; a trip aboard a cutter to Alcatraz Island, and a tour of Government Island with a parade and a Coast Guard graduation ceremony.

Speakers will also include Rear Adm. Edward F. Metzger, commanding officer of the Oakland Naval Supply

Center; Rear Adm. John E. Clark, commandant of the Twelfth Naval District; Edwin C. Whiting, national director of the Navy League; Morgan Fitch, the organization's national president; James Grealish, president of the 12th Region; Alameda County Supervisor Kent Pursel; Rear Adm. John H. Hofer, Brig. Gen. John D. Crowley, John Ball, and Charles Asbelle.

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... Man Alive ...

At Wards, employees formed "Wards Employees Aiding Vietnam Evacuees" (known as WEAVE) and bought five TV sets and six transistor radios for vets at Oakland Naval Hospital. Plaudits.

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## Military Projects Due in Bay Area

Many military construction projects have been authorized for Northern California as part of \$546 million worth of such work across the nation that was given a long-delayed o.k. yesterday by Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara.

Nearly \$30 million of the funds released by McNamara are earmarked for much needed housing units in the 12th Naval District, headquartered in San Francisco.

Another \$5.7 million is destined for Army and Air Force construction at Monterey, the Presidio of San Francisco, and Hamilton Air Force Base at Novato.

The release of the funds, authorized by Congress nearly two years ago but held up by McNamara as non-essential to the Vietnam war effort, will give a welcome boost to the Northern California construction industry.

The move will also "have a beneficial effect upon morale in the Armed Forces and satisfy valid construction and housing requirements," McNamara said.

A 12th Naval District spokesman said the release of funds will enable the Navy to advertise for construction bids, which will eventually see some 1,200 housing units built at an estimated cost of \$17,500 each in the Bay Area and at Monterey.

The number of housing units planned and their locations include: 400 at the Alameda Naval Air Station and at the Oakland Naval Hospital, 300 at Moffett Naval Air Station near Mountain View, and 208 at the Naval Post Graduate School, Monterey.

The 12th Naval District will also receive some \$8.5 million for other construction projects, including \$700,000 for rehabilitation of barracks and \$84,000 for an aircraft fire and crash station at Alameda.

Northern California Army construction includes \$1,678,000 for a student dormitory and mess at the Presidio of Monterey, and 150 housing units at the Presidio of San Francisco.

The Air Force will spend \$149,000 for a warm holding pad and \$818,000 for two dormitories at Hamilton Air Force Base.



## 2 Die in Oriskany Accident

Seaman Apprentice Tommy W. Reese and civilian ship rigger Nathaniel E. Wilson were killed yesterday in an accident at Hunters Point Naval Shipyard while preparing to paint the aircraft carrier USS Oriskany.

A third sailor, Boatswain's Mate Third Class Jerry A. Robinson, was seriously hurt as the three men plummeted 30 feet from a painting platform to the concrete drydock floor.

Robinson was responding to treatment today at Oakland Naval Hospital.

The three were about to paint the overhang of the big aircraft carrier's bow when their platform struck the side of the drydock and tilted, throwing them off.

The Oriskany is in the drydock undergoing repairs to propellers and rebuilding from damages suffered in a disastrous fire near Vietnam last October that took 44 lives.

Wilson, 40, lived at 1084 Sutter St., San Francisco, and leaves a wife and children in Brooklyn, N.Y.

Reese, 20, is from Valparaiso, Ind. Robinson, 23, is from Murphy, N.C., Hunters Point Shipyard officials said.

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## Japan Officials On Hospital Tour

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One of the purposes of the two Japanese medical officers' visit to California is to learn something of the facilities, services, and operations of an American non-profit community hospital. Walnut Creek's John Muir Memorial Hospital was selected as the example for this phase of the officers' tour. Previous visits on the tour have been chiefly to Naval medical facilities at various locations in the country, and to Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore.

Admiral Minobe and Captain Hiruma will spend two hours at John Muir. They will be given a tour of the hospital and various members of the hospital staff will brief them on hospital background and operations. Chairman Alfred B. Layton of the Board of Trustees will lead the discussion.

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The pair have been touring mainly Naval medical facilities throughout the country, including a visit to Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore.

They will visit John Muir to view the facilities, services and operation of an American non-profit community hospital.

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John Muir Hospital board chairman Alfred B. Layton will be host for the afternoon inspection.

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# FLIGHT JACKET

Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro, Santa Ana, California

HOME OF THE THIRD MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

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## Colonel M.R. Yunck—A Determined Story

By Sgt. J.W. GREEN

A Marine Corps aviator, who lost part of his left leg during combat operations in Vietnam in December 1965, resumed a 26-year flying career two weeks ago.

Col. Michael R. Yunck made the flight in a TA-4F "Skyhawk" jet aircraft at MCAS Yuma, Ariz. In doing so he proved to Marine Corps officials the truth of his words of Dec. 10, 1965, when he said he would some day return to the flight lines of Marine Corps aviation.

Col. Yunck, 48, assistant chief of staff of plans at El Toro told newsmen at a press

conference last Friday, that the leg, amputated five inches below the knee, "doesn't handicap me—it only inconveniences me."

The veteran of two wars and 1963 winner of the Cunningham Award as Marine Aviator of the Year, said he was now qualified to fly when accompanied by another pilot.

Navy doctors told Col. Yunck after he was wounded that it was "the last combat mission he'd ever fly."

The colonel, however, had other ideas. After five months at the U.S. Naval Hospital

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## Story of Determination

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at Oakland, he returned to full duty status at El Toro. His ultimate aim is to be reassigned to Vietnam.

In Vietnam, Col. Yunck served as operations and planning officer with the 1st MAF. During Operation Harvest Moon he was co-pilot aboard a UH34D helicopter when he was hit by a 50 cal. round from a Viet Cong ground weapon.

It was the second Purple Heart Medal for the veteran aviator who later requested to return to the war-torn Rep-

ublic upon his release from the Naval hospital.

Col. Yunck saw combat action as a fighter pilot on Guadalcanal during 1942-43 and on Okinawa in 1945. He was a fixed-wing and helicopter pilot in Vietnam.

He was an aviation cadet at Pensacola and Miami, Fla., from April 1941 to November 1941. In 1950-51 he attended the test pilot school at the Naval Air Test Center, Patuxent River, Md., before joining the 1st MAF in Korea from December 1953 to Dec-

ember 1954. From October 1963 to October 1964, he served as commanding officer of MAG-15 at El Toro.

In addition to receiving the Cunningham Award in 1963, the veteran aviator received the Kitty Hawk Award from the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce in 1966, Armed Forces Award from the Veterans of Foreign Wars in 1966, American Fighter Aces Award in 1966, and Loyalty Award from Loyola University in Los Angeles in 1966.



## Oak Knoll Chaplain

## 'Military Best Motivated'

By JAN MATHESON SEGER

"They are probably the best motivated military men of any period in our country's history."

Navy Chaplain Lt. (USNR) Colin E. Supple, OFM, now assigned to Oak Knoll Hospital, speaks no polite platitudes, nor does he minimize the U.S. involvement in Vietnam when he talks of the Navy and Marine personnel moving through the hospital.

The Boston-born Franciscan, now in his second "hitch" as a Navy-Marine chaplain, is quite emphatic about his impressions of the war in Vietnam. He speaks much in the same tenor as the young Marine in his office, easing the boredom of recovery by light duty.

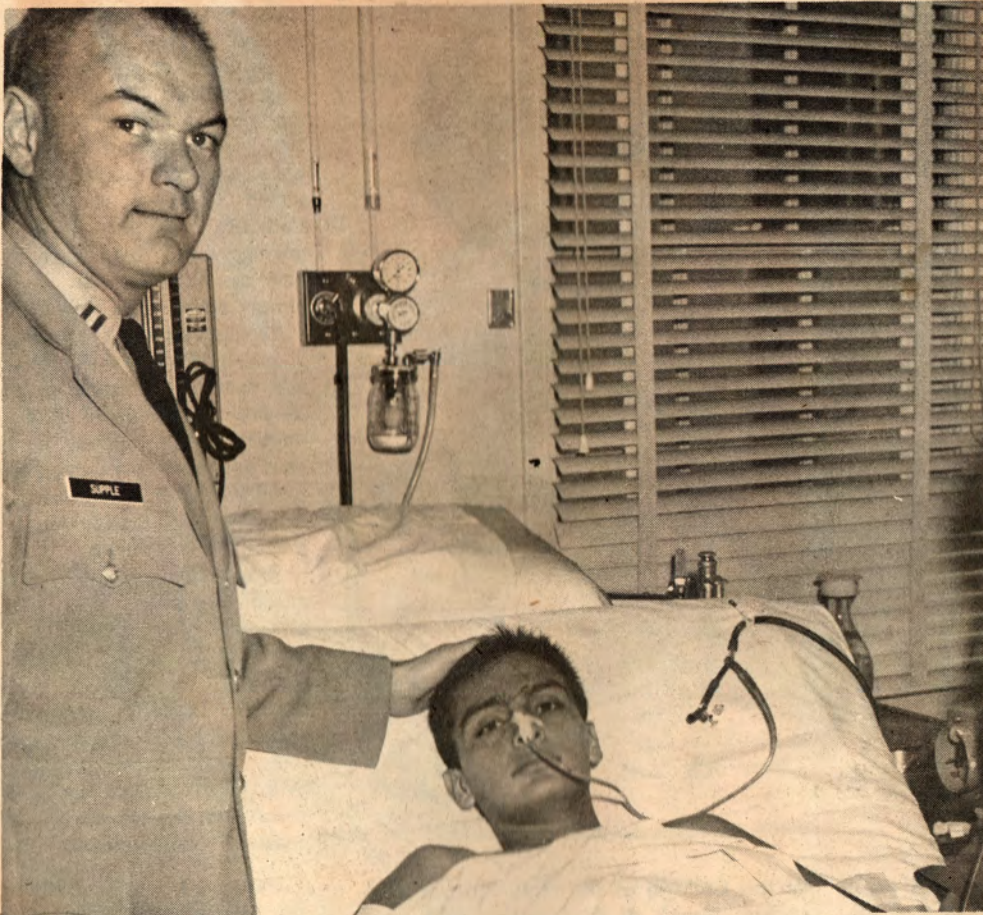
The young man, Cpl. Richard Iverson, USMC, Fort Collins, Colorado, was in Vietnam 9 months with the Second Battalion, Fourth Marines, before a grenade put him in the hospital. He is now looking forward to completing his education when he is discharged, but Vietnam is in his thoughts.

## MATURITY

This Marine, nearly the personification of the typical boy-next-door, exhibits a firm steadfast maturity that his obvious youth would tend to belie.

His injury had brought him home, but before it had happened he had resigned for six more months tour in Vietnam.

"If you could just see the kids there!" he said, "the people too, are begin-



HOSPITAL VISIT

... Father Supple with Corporal Jose Lopez Tiano

ning to see some purpose to their lives. Up to now they have just survived. But the children are so bright, so quick, and beautiful, in spite of the dirt and the disease."

Father Supple speaks of the progress being made. He was with the Third Marines, Second Battalion working out from the perimeter of Da Nang and up to the Diem line. He witnessed the early pacification effort of the military forces, that was just minute

by comparison to what is presently going on.

## SIT-INS

He also said he was with the Marines when some of the protests, draft-card burnings, and sit-in sessions were headlined at home and abroad.

Feeling strongly that disagreement in a free society is healthy, if done for the right reasons, Father Supple also feels that much of the protests are "more fear than conviction, more emotion than thought, more weakness than patriotism."

His reasoning is that the Communist nations have long been on record to subvert smaller countries to their political domination by wars of liberation as in Vietnam.

## PROPORTIONATE

No Christian likes war or any tragedy. Christ did preach pacifism — and also just anger and proper self-defense, that is proportionate (justified) self-defense done by varying means, depending on the nature of the threat.

"Vietnam," he adds, "may be a small and distant land, but she could become one more strong stepping stone to Communist Asian expansion."

He, like the young veteran, both felt that some of the protestors might perhaps gain a different perspective were they to spend some time, with the men who are in that small land of Vietnam.

Father Supple, whose parishioners include patients and personnel "aboard" the hospital, is a graduate of Boston College and was ordained a Franciscan in 1958. He was assigned by his Order to a Bronx parish and later was a high school teacher in Buffalo, N.Y., before his Navy assignment.

## Oak Knoll Hospital Has New Heart Care Unit

The Navy's first Coronary Care Unit was recently opened at Oakland Naval Hospital, with Rear Admiral Harold J. Cokely, MC, USN, Commanding Officer, officiating at the ribbon-cutting. The four-bed facility at Oak Knoll is equipped with electronic monitoring and treatment equipment and staffed by cardiac specialist nurses, corpsmen, and corpswolves.

The new unit is ready to accept acute cardiac patients from a wide geographic area including the Twelfth Naval District, ships within reach of Oak Knoll by air evacuation, and a large section of the Pacific Coast. Cardiac evacuees from Viet Nam will also be treated in the new unit. In addition, unit personnel are available for telephone consultation to any of the Navy facilities served by Oak Knoll.

Patients with heart attacks or related cardiovascular disorders will be rapidly admitted to the Coronary Care Unit during the critical early period of their convalescence. The unit is organized to provide round-the-clock observation and recordings of the patient's heart rate and rhythm, blood pressure, respiratory status, and other vital signs.

Nursing and Hospital Corps personnel have been specially trained in the basic pathology and physiology of heart disease, basic electrocardiography, techniques of cardio-pulmonary resuscitation, and maintenance and use of electronic cardiovascular equipment. These cardiac specialists act as assistant cardiologists, providing a continuous link between the heart patient and his doctor.

The new Coronary Care Unit, like others in medical centers throughout the country, is part of a larger effort to reduce mortality due to heart attack. The

death rate from heart attack is between 20 and 30 per cent for patients who reach a hospital. Recent experience indicates that coronary care units can cut heart attack mortality almost in half.

The present focus of attention is prevention of sudden cardiac death by the early recognition of changes in heart rhythm and rate and prompt institution of drug and electronic therapy.

## OAK LEAF

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## 'Blue Baby' Allyson Dies

Little Allyson Burleson, the "blue baby" with the bright smile, died yesterday in the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto, Canada.

Allyson, who was 5, left Oakland Naval Hospital in December "to play in the snow and have my heart fixed."

Her death came three months after the operation to correct a heart defect called transposition of the great

blood vessels. Her progress had been good at first, and she was given a 50 to 80 per cent chance to live, but then her appetite failed.

Her parents, Navy Electrician's Mate 2-C and Mrs. George Burleson of 4189 Barrymore Drive, San Jose, were with Allyson when she died. They came home last night.

Allyson's mother had stayed with her continuously after the seven-hour operation,

which was performed by its originator, Dr. William Mustard, at the request of Capt. Delmer J. Pascoe, chief of pediatrics at Oakland Naval Hospital.

Burleson, who is assigned to Moffett Field, stayed here most of the time to care for their four other children, flying to Toronto on weekends as his small daughter weakened.

Her heart defect was diagnosed when she was two months old, but there was no surgery to correct it until Dr. Mustard worked out his technique in 1963. She was considered strong enough for it last year.

The failure of the operation, which transposed the aorta and pulmonary artery to give her body the oxygen it had not been getting, was to be discussed at a conference today.

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## San Jose Girl Dies In Toronto

A five-year-old San Jose girl lost her fight for life last night at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto, three months after an operation to repair her heart.

The girl, Allyson Deanna Burleson, suffered from an ailment known as transposition of the great vessels of the heart, a birth defect which caused insufficient oxygen-replenishing of blood.

The girl's parents, U.S. Navy Petty Officer George Burleson, 32, and his wife, Frances, of 4189 Barrymore drive in San Jose, were in the Canadian hospital at the time of death.





**BEST-HATTED** Mrs. Lenson was so pleased with Adolfo's striped hat of stitched silk which she was modeling at Capwell's, she ordered it delivered immediately to wear to Golden Gate Fields today; the same milliner's black and white sailor touched off fond memories for Captain's lady: 'Just like the navy hardhat of '22,' she chuckled as Capwell's Virginia St. Clair put it on her head.



## She's Eastbay's Best Hatted Lady

Now it is official.

Mrs. Robert Harper Lenson has been known at navy bases across half the globe and at race tracks from Shanghai to Golden Gate Fields as 'best hatted' or 'best dressed' lady in the crowd. Now the Millinery Institute of America has cited her, for "consistent and tasteful selection of millinery," as one of the Best Hatted Women of America.

The citation was announced from New York by Bill Riemer, executive director of the Millinery Institute, who said, "Fewer women wore hats during the year just past. But the world's best dressed women continued wearing them, and now hats are a new vogue with the chic young.

"In Paris, Galleries Lafayette reports sale of some 200 daily in one type alone — the untrimmed felt in brilliant colors, which young fashionables are wearing with Garbo-esque flair. Bored with sloppiness and over-simplification of clothes, these girls have caught on to the fact that their mothers and grandmothers had a good thing going when they completed costumes with the final flattering touch of a beautiful hat.

"So it is particularly suitable to salute a lady of fine vintage who has always relied on millinery and who finds real joy in wearing beautiful hats. She remembers the hat she was wearing when she met her husband, the late Captain Lenson, the hat she wore when she won a beauty contest, the royal blue velled hat which was her all-time favorite; Mrs. Lenson is a real millinery sweetheart," says the hat man.

She was a picture pretty career girl in Boston, assistant to the vice president of the local phone company, when she met her young naval officer at an elegant ball: "chaperoned, of course," she says; "we wore tulle evening hats in

those days. If no hat, we put ornaments in our hair, or wore spare hair pieces; I still do.

"The Captain always agreed with me that no woman looked really well groomed without a hat. He liked the 'costume' or 'complete look' which is an important fashion point today. He liked every costume completely assembled, matching or coordinated, from the skin out — and

always spoiled me with exquisite lingerie and fine perfume. I still use Shalimar, because it was his favorite and my son sends it to me now," said Mrs. Lenson in her pleasant Lakeside Drive apartment, from which she sallies forth

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frequently to volunteer chores at Oak Knoll Hospital.

The amputee ward there gets her devoted attention, and she often shares the pleasure of the races by taking a group of patients for an afternoon at Golden Gate Fields.

Captain Lenson's career took them from Boston to Iowa, Great Lakes Naval Station, Hampton and Norfolk, Va., the lighter-than-air station

at Lakehurst, N.J., to Moffett Field (which he put into commission in 1933), Mare Island, Washington, D. C., the Oakland Navy Depot, Guam and the Marianas and other places. There were years, of course, when he was at sea and she waited out the tour at his port of departure; years, too, when she could travel with him.

"I've been into every port in  
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## World Knows Her Love for Hats

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China, Japan and the Philippines," she says, "some of them many times. We loved island life, lived on Guam when only a thousand Americans were there. Four house servants (for \$40 a month) provided elegant and leisurely living. But I do not miss the 'great old days'; always knew a change was coming, and in the service you learn to roll with the punches.

"The Captain retired after 42 years of active service, was still a Navy man all his remaining ten. When he retired, we didn't lose a friend. I hear from them now from all over the world; that says something for his stature," Mrs. Lenson says softly.

She remembers Washington life as exciting and glamorous. "There I was buddy-buddy with Mrs. MacArthur, the general's mother. A true dowager, she was his hostess

at West Point (after his brief first marriage) and completely devoted to him. A compelling man, he inspired the same kind of devotion in dear little Jean Faircloth — whom we met when she came to the Philippines as his bride. Another interesting bride we helped welcome to the Pacific was Senator MacAdoo's, when he brought her to Guam."

The U.S.S. Duncan, the Prometheus, 'Big Lex' (the first U.S.S. Lexington, sister ship to the Saratoga), the U.S.S. Bridge which sailed troubled waters in 1942 — these were among her husband's ships. With them, she remembers the air stations, the navy depots, the ports where they lived or she waited. And now she is planning a visit to another navy station, to see Commander R. H. Lenson Jr. and his family at Roosevelt Roads in Puerto Rico.

It's a cinch she will pack plenty of hats for the trip.

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## Navy Arrests Sailor Who Told Of Lemoore LSD

Lemoore NAS, Kings county

A sailor stationed here who last week charged several hundred of his buddies were using marijuana and LSD has been placed "in custody," the Navy said yesterday.

Petty Officer third class Allen Weismuller was placed in the brig shortly after he returned from psychiatric observation at Oakland Naval Hospital.

While hospitalized, Weismuller told of an "underground peace movement" at the 7000-man base, and said some of the men were "turning on" after a hard day's work. The Navy later admitted an investigation, but denied any arrests until yesterday.

From Our Correspondent

## The Captain Champions Sex Education

By JAN SILVERMAN

"When people hear the term 'sex education' they think we want to teach their kids to be great lovers.

"That isn't it at all. "What we want to teach them is respect for themselves and the other guy."

NAVY CAPT. James P. Semmens, chief of obstetrics and gynecology at Oakland Naval Hospital, is a strong advocate of family life education, or sex education — call it what you will.

"At Hayward High School, where they've had a course in sex education for 17 or 18 years, they call it Sociology I. That's a good name for it," he says.

One of the country's chief spokesmen on sex education for the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Dr. Semmens spoke last year to more than 40 organizations. He departs soon on another speaking tour that will take him all over the country.

"NINETY per cent of the people we talk to have a misconception of what sex education is. The average parent thinks we mean nothing but teaching anatomy, contraception, techniques of love making — things like that," says the burly Navy officer.

Actually, Dr. Semmens advocates beginning the program in kindergarten and the first grade. This is the time, he feels, to teach children the names of the external sexual parts of the body and create a respect for them. "As a physician," he says, "I think they are the most remarkable parts of the body."

Dr. Semmens believes third and fourth graders can learn the wonder of living cells, be it with dogs, cats or hamsters. "Here they can learn how intricate the organ system is, and how vital to life.

"THIS has a lot to do with

the way a person takes care of his body," he says. "If a child just hears about sex on street corners, from pornography and jokes, he has no respect for it."

The fifth and sixth grades, just before boys and girls enter puberty, is the time for the deeper study of physiology and the changes that will take place in their bodies.

At the junior high school level, says Dr. Semmens, many boys and girls are disturbed because their physical development is progressing at a slower or faster speed than their fellow students.

"THEY MUST be told that each individual has his own time-clock and will eventually reach full maturity. When they learn this, kids stop chiding each other."

And along with physical facts, says Dr. Semmens, must go education in how to get along with other people, to develop responsible personalities.

"A person must learn how to inter-relate with his family, his classroom and his friends. Then, when he matures, finally with a single individual.

"If two people are to spend the rest of their lives together,

they must respect each other. The sexual relationship, after all, is the most important interpersonal relationship known to man.

"YET SOME schools spend

## World of Women

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more time on driver education than they do on family living. The two are not equally important, even if both licenses do cost about the same."

At the ninth grade level students often are faced with decisions about smoking, drinking and narcotics, as well as sexual pressures, says Dr. Semmens. Facts about their effect on the adolescent body can help make the decision.

Finally the senior course,

just before students leave high school, should concentrate on the family — what strengthens a family and what may destroy it, Dr. Semmens says.

This program, the doctor explains, should go into such areas of conflict as religion, in-laws, finances and child rearing.

Dr. Semmens feels that all parts of the community — doctors, lawyers, bankers, clergymen and parents — should help plan the content of family life courses. "But once it is decided," he says, "throw it to the educators, the trained individuals, to handle the program."

THE SCHOOL program

takes nothing away from home instruction, he emphasizes. Indeed, it is in the home that sex education begins — by the example of the parents. The affection they show to each other and to their children sets the scene for a child's later development.

The doctor stresses the importance of healthy group activities like Scouting and the Y to provide outlets other than the commercial entertainment available to youth.

Yet, he notes, parents too often downgrade such activities and let their children shift for themselves. They give the impression, sometimes unconsciously, that they consider some of the organized groups

to be "square."

"We adults talk a lot about the problems of teens," he points out. "But how good a shake are we giving the people who are trying to help our kids?"



CAPT. JAMES P. SEMMENS  
... street corners or in schoolrooms?





ALLEN STRUTZ (RIGHT) AGAIN IS HEAD OF VETS CHRISTMAS GROUP  
With him are secretary-treasurer Mary Valle and vice-president John Groom

## Vets' Yule Leader Returned

Allen F. Strutz was re-elected president of the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee, which will coordinate for the 44th year the annual program to provide decorations, entertainment and gifts for the hospitalized veterans and servicemen in Alameda County.

Miss Mary Valle, secretary-treasurer for many years, was re-elected to another term. Re-elected as vice presidents were John Groom and Lawrence R. Rodriggs.

Directors re-elected were Felix Chialvo, Paul Manolis, Joseph Tofanelli, Mrs. John Young and Mrs. Raymond Benbow.

Rear Adm. H. J. Cokely, commanding officer of the Oakland Naval Hospital, and Richard C. Jones, director of the Veterans Administration Hospital, Livermore, expressed appreciation at the Monday night annual meeting on behalf of the patients for the work of the committee.

The financial report of the committee showed that contributions from 2,849 individuals and organizations amounted to \$24,288.47 last year. Expenditures totaled \$17,180.40, leaving a balance of \$8,108.07 with which to start the fall campaign.

## Church Comes to Worshippers



TWO NAVY CHAPLAINS, Lt. Jack Dowers, left, and Edward E. Jayne, have seen to it that any patient in Oakland Naval Hospital, Calif., can "attend" Sunday Protestant services even if they are confined to their beds. The chaplains make tape recordings of the services and, at the patient's convenience, bring the services to the worshipper. "Attending" services are PFC William G. Marlin, in bed at left, Navy Air Controlman Johnny W. Steeves, in chair, and Cpl. David L. Williams, in bed at right.

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KEEPING GRASS under control at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital are, from left to right, facing camera, Donald Reed, Allen Robello and Nathaniel Pree from the Central Labor Council's Neighborhood Youth Corps project.

## Placement officer joins work program

A placement officer has been selected by the Central Labor Council for the crucial third phase of its precedent-setting \$1,589,800 Work Experience and Training Program.

Fred E. Payne's chief task will be to find jobs for the 410 16 to 22-year-olds now enrolled in the program and others signed up during its 52 weeks.

Payne is a former member of Plasterers 112 and is also a former plastering contractor. For the last several months, he was placement director for the privately-financed Opportunities Industrialization Center in Oakland.

As placement supervisor for the Central Labor Council's

program, Payne will contact employers, and attempt to fill both their and the youths' employment needs, according to Co-Directors J. W. Gaines and Robert Heffley.

About 200 youths have successfully completed the work experience phase of the program and are now in the second—or training—phase, according to Gaines and Heffley.

### MARKETABLE SKILLS

These youths are learning marketable job skills in welding, auto repair and carpentry workshops. The office machines and procedures workshop for girls is also starting.

Other youths have moved into the work experience phase. As soon as they learn good job habits and demonstrate their ability to follow instructions and observe safety rules, they will be taken into the training program of their choice.

All the youths are from underprivileged families in Oakland's poverty target areas. Most are members of minority groups. Most are school dropouts who have never held a regular job and lack skills to qualify for one.

The program, financed under the U.S. Labor Department's Neighborhood Youth Corps, with donated time by Central Labor Council members, has been called the Alameda County AFL-CIO's attempt to prevent a "long, hot summer" in Oakland.

## Magic Fare for War Wounded

By BILL STROBEL

They weren't unfriendly. They were skeptical. And when he entered the first of the wards at the Oakland Naval Hospital, they didn't even notice him.

They did, however, take careful note of his two companions. One was Pam Zweifel (Miss San Leandro). The other was his blonde press agent.

"We don't get too many entertainers here," a kid, propped up in a bed at the entrance to the ward, explained. "But some nuns did come up the other day to sing to us."

The girl with the Red Cross had said earlier that occasionally entertainers do find their

way to the sprawling Naval hospital.

"We get some bands and the Bunnies from the Playboy Club come over," she said.

As the group walked through the rain to the first of the wards, she mentioned that most of the visitors wanted to be with the amputees.

"I've been in the Vietnam," she said, "and I suppose I take a hard view of these things. But I don't like it when these kids are treated with sympathy. They should be treated like men because that's what they are."

Most of them didn't look like men, they looked like kids.

Steve Baker, who calls himself the "world's most neurotic magician," has played to a

good many men who look like kids. He recently returned from a four months tour of Vietnam.

In the first ward, he took it slow and easy. He stopped to talk with some of the guys in the beds and told them about the places he had visited in Vietnam.

At the end of the ward, four Marines in patients' uniforms were playing cards on a bed. Baker pulled out a deck of his own cards and showed them a few tricks.

The skeptics challenged him. Other patients hobbled down the ward to join the group. Some were on crutches. Others in wheelchairs.

He challenged them. They couldn't figure out how he ma-

nipulated the cards. He took a lighted cigarette from one of them, tapped down into his own clenched fist and made it disappear.

Then he reached into the bathrobe pocket of a skeptic with his leg in a cast, pulled out a cigarette butt and handed it to the smoker.

By now the audience had loosened up and Baker was cracking jokes.

"I got a hotel room in Vietnam and the manager told me I'd have to make my own bed," he said. "He handed me a hammer and nails."

The jokes — not all as bad as that and some worse — were coming faster now and the laughter was louder. Some of the kids joined him in the act and chained his wrists for

an escape. "Go ahead," Baker told them, "make the chains tight. I'm completely impervious to pain."

Then he said "Ouch."

It went that way through the remainder of the wards, including the one where the show was performed a few feet from where an unconscious kid lay in bed with his arm filled with needles. One was pumping a clear liquid into his body. The other was pumping blood plasma.

It started slowly in the wards at the Oakland Naval Hospital yesterday but it ended with laughter and applause.

And when it was over, the day didn't seem so miserable and cold after all.



# Marine Commandant To Visit Bay Area

A three-day visit by Gen. Wallace M. Greene Jr., commandant of the U.S. Marine Corps, and open-house programs at many military bases will highlight Armed Forces Week activities this week in the Bay Area.

General Greene arrives Wednesday at Alameda Naval Air Station, and will speak Thursday at a San Francisco Chamber of Commerce luncheon at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel, on "The Role of the U.S. Marine Corps in South Vietnam."

On Friday, he will visit

Navy and Marine Corps patients, many of them wounded in Vietnam, at Oakland Naval Hospital, and then will lunch with Adm. H. J. Cokely, hospital commandant.

Open-house celebrations will be held Saturday, Armed Forces Day, at Alameda Naval Air Station, the Army's Presidio of San Francisco, the U.S. Coast Guard Base on Government Island, and the Navy's Moffett Field, in Sunnyvale.

The Navy's air base at Alameda will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., and will fea-

ture a show that includes a fly-over by jets, a demonstration of low-level bombing techniques, and a helicopter rescue demonstration in the base lagoon.

In addition, the ammunition ship USS Chara will be open at Pier 2 for inspection, and there is a water fight scheduled in the afternoon between the base fire department and the Alameda City Fire Department.

The Army's crack "Golden Knights" sky-diving team will perform at 9:30 a.m. Saturday

at the Presidio during its open house.

The Army parachutists, who have claimed two world and five U.S. championships, will jump from 13,500 feet and, trailing colored smoke, will perform stunts as they free-fall to within 1,800 feet of the ground.

At 10:30 a.m., the Army has scheduled a parade of 600 ROTC students from Bay Area high schools.

The Presidio will remain open to visitors until 4 p.m.

Besides displays of planes, tanks and other Army equipment, military field kitchens will serve samples of G.I.chow to visitors.

Moffett Field's open house, which begins at 11 a.m. Saturday, will be highlighted by a drill-team competition.

Naval ROTC units from the University of Nevada, University of California at Berkeley, California Polytechnic, San Jose State, University of San Francisco, University of California at Los Angeles, and

Stanford University will compete.

Treasure Island's open house will run from noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday, and will feature demonstrations of judo and karate, ordnance displays, and art exhibits.

Beginning at 1 p.m., there will be performances by the 12th Naval District Band, a Navy drill team, and a fire-fighting demonstration.

Launches will be available to take visitors around the island every 20 minutes.

## S. F. Visitor

### Marine Chief's War Prognosis

A rather dismal picture of how long Americans may be fighting in Vietnam was painted here yesterday by General Wallace M. Greene, commandant of the United States Marine Corps.

"We are winning that war," he said, echoing words first uttered several years ago by other distinguished soldiers and statesmen. "But this is a long-term campaign, and I think of winning it not in terms of weeks or months — but years."

In other matters, the slight and soft-spoken chief of some 280,000 Marines — 60,000 of whom are fighting in Viet-

nam — said he thought:

- "A small core of Communists card-carriers" is involved in most peace demonstrations here . . . "though the majority of the demonstrators are probably expressing their dissent honestly . . . which is their right . . ."

- Our involvement in Vietnam could be likened to aid Europeans gave us during the Revolutionary War, though he refrained from comparing General Ky to General Washington.

If the war in Vietnam is escalated much more there is a possibility China may come in. "but it really depends on what the other side (North Vietnam) does."

- It would be pointless to stop bombing North Vietnam, though he wouldn't go so far as "destroying all targets there . . . This is a political question . . ."

- His men believe in what they are fighting for; some 8000 Marines in Vietnam, he said, have volunteered to extend their one-year tour of duty there.

Greene, who spoke at a press conference at the Marines Memorial Club, later addressed an Armed Forces Day luncheon at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel.

Greene told an audience of several hundred persons that his fighting troops take an exceedingly dim view of flag-burners Stateside.

"That flag, to them, is bloody footprints on the snow at Valley Forge and blood on the slopes of Hill 881 . . . It is women and children walk-



WALLACE M. GREENE  
"Winning that war"



HERBERT J. SWEET  
"Passing through"

ing in the dust behind covered wagons . . . Marines a generation ago struggling to raise the stars and stripes atop Suribachi . . . the covering for a casket being lowered into a hero's grave in Arlington — to be folded and presented to a mother in reverence."

Greene was accompanied by Herbert J. Sweet, Corps Sergeant Major, who somewhat bashfully said, "about the only time I get into San Francisco is coming from — or going to — a war." A 31-year veteran, Sweet is the Corps' senior non-commissioned officer.

## CENTERITES

by Goodall



"YOU exterminate it!"

### Oak Knoll Thanks Women Supers for Television Sets

Warm praise for the Association of Women Supervisors for its providing brand-new portable TV sets to patients at the Oakland Naval Hospital has come from Rear Admiral H. J. Cokely, the hospital's Commanding Officer. He wrote:

"No other contribution you make . . . could do so much for the morale of so many. As you know, we assign the portable

television sets for bedside use, and when one patient leaves for home, his set is transferred to a newcomer; hence they are in constant use."

Admiral Cokely also thanked AWS for furnishing cookies and candy to the hospitalized servicemen. He said this service "has also brought much pleasure to our patients," and added:

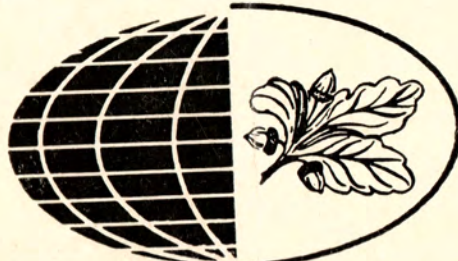
"The knowledge that you are aware of their sacrifices and wish to make their hospital stay as pleasant as possible means a great deal to our young Vietnam casualties and to all of us who share the responsibility for their morale as well as their medical care."

"I hope you will convey the heartfelt thanks of this command to all who share with you the work and keen interest involved in this fine humanitarian service."

The Women Supervisors now have delivered 14 TV sets to Oak Knoll. The last three were donated by the Planning and Comptroller Department's Accounting Division, the Data Processing Department, and the Navy Regional Finance Center in conjunction with the Women Supervisors. Miscellaneous Center employees also have contributed enough to purchase a 15th set.

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"SUPERMARKET FOR  
THE PACIFIC FLEET"

22 May 1967

### Vets' Memorial Day Observance Set in Alameda

Memorial Day services will begin at 1:30 p.m. in the Alameda Veterans Memorial Building, Central and Walnut Streets, under the sponsorship of a variety of veterans' organizations and their auxiliaries. Centerites are invited.

After an invocation by the Reverend Paul J. Coleman, Alameda Vice-Mayor Terry LaCroix, Jr., will welcome attendees. The principal speaker is to be the Commanding Officer of the Oakland Naval Hospital, Rear Admiral Harold J. Cokely.

Wreaths in honor of the military dead will be placed by representatives of 13 veterans' groups. There will also be a tribute to Gold Star Mothers.

The Marine Barracks at NAS Alameda will furnish a color guard and buglers, along with riflemen to fire a salute to the dead. The 12th Naval District Band is slated to play selections. The Reverend Wilfred H. Hodgkin will offer the benediction.



## Navy Nurses Review Proud History Of Service During National Hospital Week Observance



THE UNIFORMS WORE by the Navy Nurses of today are trim and smart. Standing, left to right, Lieutenant Commanders Marie Pinto, Ann Hamill, Julia Pickering, Ruth Pampush, and

Katheryn Doherty. Seated — Commander Barbara Ellis. All make their homes in San Leandro while serving at Oakland Naval Hospital.

Oakland Naval Hospital has more reason than usual this week to salute its Navy Nurses; for it was 59 years ago next Saturday that Congress established the Navy Nurse Corps. When on May 13, 1908, President Taft signed the bill establishing the corps, there were 20 members, known as "The Sacred 20."

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"Nurses," he wrote, "should be women of human disposition and tender manners, active and healthy, without vices of any description... and are to attend with fidelity and care upon all the sick committed to their charge."

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From its small beginning the Nurse Corps grew to a peak of 11,054 during World War II. Today it numbers more than 2,000. Approximately 150 of this number are men, and the count is rapidly growing.

Many other changes have

taken place during the 59-year history of the Nurse Corps.

The pompadour, the high-necked, tight-waisted dresses that "dusted the deck" as The Sacred Twenty cared for their patients, have been replaced by comfortable, crisp whites for work, and navy serge with jacket sleeves striped with gold for street wear. For formal occasions the women wear a uniform with dinner jacket, complete with miniature campaign medals. A gold-braided tiara completes the costume.

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Training and travel opportunities have increased with the changing times.

Although the actual birthday of the Nurse Corps is May 13, Oak Knoll will celebrate tomorrow, May 12. At 11 a.m. the Twelfth Naval District Band will serenade the Navy Nurses with a concert in Gendreau Circle — while the nurses carry on their duties in the wards nearby.

Friday evening from 6 to 8, a reception in the Hospital Officers' Club will honor the nursing staff.

A "cap tree" decorated with caps from many of the 119 civilian schools of nursing where the Oak Knoll nurses received their RNs will be an important part of the decor at the reception.

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revolve, showing the 93 different stations where Navy Nurses are assigned in the United States and overseas. They include places such as Naples, Italy; Rota, Spain; London, England; Yokosuka, Japan; Subic Bay, Philippine Islands; Taipei, Taiwan; and of course Vietnam. Navy Nurses are also caring for Vietnam casualties aboard the hospital ships USS REPOSE and USS SANCTUARY.

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Pompadours high-necked, tight-waisted dresses that "dusted the deck" were the style for Navy Nurses at Mare Island Naval Hospital in 1908. This was the year that the Nurses Corps was established when President

Taft signed a bill. The eight women here were part of the original 20 members of the Nurses Corps. They are known as "The Sacred 20." Pictures supplied by Navy Nurses Corps.

Celebration Week

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ENS. PATRICIA MOHLER  
... among those feted

## Honoring Navy Nurses

A revolving miniature world and a "cap tree" provided the decor when nurses at Oakland Naval Hospital were honored at a reception at Oak Knoll Officers Club.

The party saluted the 59th "birthday" of the Navy Nurse Corps — an "idea" suggested by Dr. William P.C. Barton, a young Navy surgeon, that became a reality in 1908 when President Taft signed a congressional bill establishing the small corps, then called "the sacred 20."

The "cap tree" at the May reception was hung with caps from many of the 119 civilian schools of nursing where Oak Knoll nurses have received their training.

The miniature world showed the 93 stations where Navy nurses are assigned in the United States and overseas, including the hospital ships for Vietnam casualties, the USS REPOSE and USS SANCTUARY.

Comdr. Romaine Mentzer, chief of nursing service, was the official hostess. The 12th Naval District band serenaded her corps with a concert in Gendreau Circle.



Oakland Tribune  
May 21, 1967

## Fiesta Time at Oak Knoll

Only the fashions deviated from the Spanish theme of the Spring Fashion Fiesta staged by the Oak Knoll Officers' Wives Club at the Oakland Naval Hospital. Pictured are Cmdr. and Mrs. James Rosborough and Capt. and Mrs. Delmer J. Pascoe. Mrs. Robert P. Dobbie was general chairman, and Mrs. Helmer W. Huseby and Lt. Cmdr. Fred J. Stucker commented. A mariachi band provided the music, and the buffet dinner featured Spanish dishes. Proceeds went to scholarships for children of members.



Concord Transcript  
June 12, 1967



**LARGEST FLAG** in the county was displayed at the Fair Oaks Elementary School this morning in observance of Flag Day. The giant Stars and Stripes measured 9 by 17 feet and was flown today at the school. It was loaned by the Oak Knoll Hospital. Shown are the Boy and Girl Scouts who conducted the ceremony. They are, left to right, Mike Ruffino, Troop 215; Cathy Baker, Troop 1013; Greg DeGracia, Troop 215; and Allan Morrison, Troop 215. Flag day, established in 1777, is not an official national holiday but is proclaimed annually as a public observance by U.S. Presidents.

26 Oakland Tribune Tues., June 6, 1967

## Navy Begins Survey of Housing

The Alameda Naval Air Station this week launched a rental housing survey in the Eastbay to seek adequate, off-base housing units for military personnel.

The census, coordinated

with the commandant of the 12th Naval District, will take place in Oakland from Broadway east to Seminary Avenue and in the cities of Alameda and Piedmont.

Naval officers will contact owners and managers of apartment houses, mobile home courts and housing developments to request their facilities be rented to service personnel on a non-discrimination basis, the Air Station announced.

A report on the census will be submitted to the Secretary of the Navy by Capt. D. A. Campbell, commanding officer of the Naval Air Station.

The report will include the number of facilities and housing units contacted, list those available without discrimination to servicemen, those which do discriminate and those adopting a non-discrimination policy as a result of the survey.

Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara has stated regarding the census: "Because military personnel lack a civilian's freedom of choice as to where they will work and live, racial discrimination practiced against them in the matter of housing accommodation is of special concern. It is harmful to their welfare and morale and hence to the military effectiveness of the units to which they are assigned."

The Alameda base's survey is one of several in a nationwide census program by the commanding officer of each continental U. S. base having 500 or more personnel.

A list of housing available to servicemen will be compiled from the census. Facilities with less than five units will not be surveyed.

Included in the final census report will be the number of housing units which will not agree to non-discrimination. Data regarding the addresses, sizes and price range of these facilities, along with their proximity to a military base, will be included.

## JANGO Class At Oak Knoll Starts July 1

The Oakland Naval Hospital is asking for applications for the next class of JANGO (Junior Army-Navy Guild Organization). Those who apply must be daughters, 14 to 21 years old, of active duty, retired, or reserve military officers. JANGO was founded in Washington, D.C., in 1942 to acquaint girls with the nursing profession and the ideals of community service.

The next class will convene on July 1. For application forms, telephone the hospital's chief nurse on 569-8211, extensions 246 or 245.

Enrollees receive 24 hours of classroom instruction from a Navy Nurse Corps officer and 76 hours of supervised work in the hospital's dependent wards.

Duties include bed-making, giving bed baths, taking temperatures, assisting with the admitting and discharging of patients, running errands, and aiding in other ways to help make confinement pleasant for the patients.

JANGOS wear attractive blue pinafores with red and white trim. They are capped on completion of their 100 hours of training. From then on, as school schedules allow, they earn pins and chevrons as they reach various milestones in their service.

On special JANGO days the girls work, have lunch together, and hear a lecture by a staff doctor.



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## naval hospital seeking aides

A new volunteer nurse's aide program for teen-age girls will be conducted at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Oakland beginning July 10.

Applicants must be from 14 to 21 years of age and a daughter of a regular, reserve, active or retired, commissioned or warrant officer in the Armed Forces.

Deadline for filing applications is July 1. Information is available from the Junior Army Navy Guild Organizing Service, USN Hospital, Oakland.



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*Bill Fiset*  
... Man Alive ...

An Army lieutenant flew here from Texas to get married, discovered a few hours before the ceremony the blood test certificate he'd brought with him from Texas wasn't signed. Great panic at the marriage license counter in Hayward, then a fast drive to Oakland Naval Hospital, back for the license just before closing time. The wedding the next morning, then back to Texas.

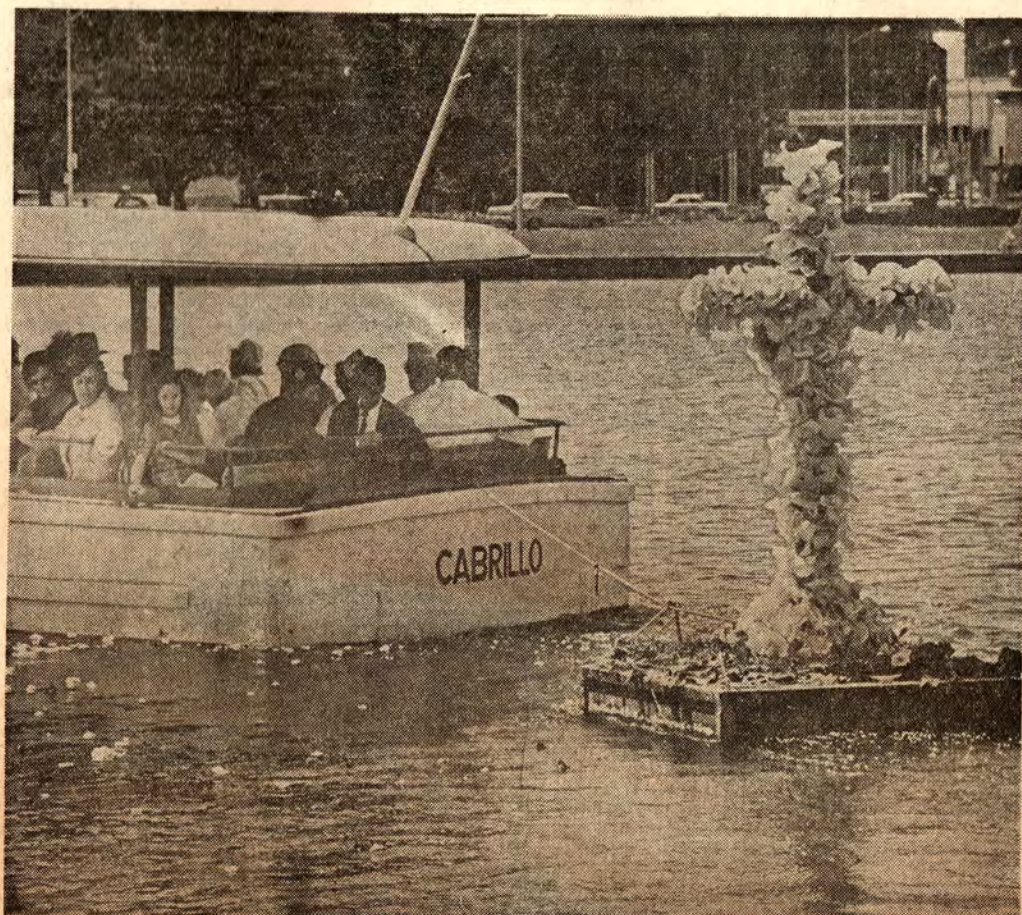
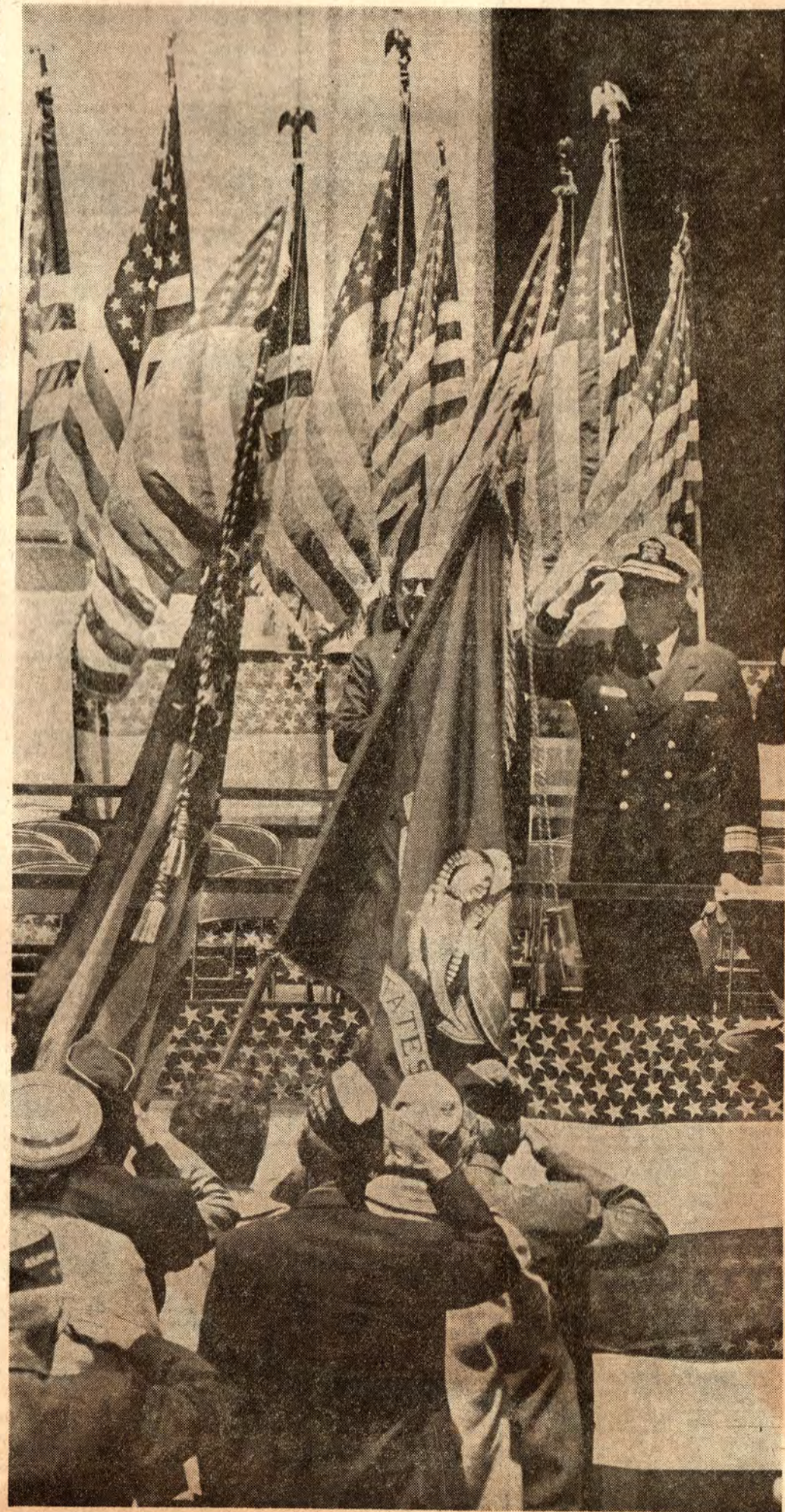


# A Day For Remembering...



It was a day for thinking back . . . from the old soldier of two or three campaigns to the young man who barely got his feet on battle soil. At Mt. View Cemetery (above) bugle corps took part in ceremony honoring Russell Galbraith O'Brien, who initiated the practice of standing for the National Anthem and whose grave was forgotten for 53 years. Rows of flags wave in breeze at Alameda Veterans Memorial Building (below) as Rr.

Adm. Harold J. Coakley, commander the U.S. Navy hospital in Oakland, speaks. At Lake Merritt, floral wreath is towed to mooring place. Color guard in Lakeside Park (left) has a tiny following; Chaplain Roy A. Baxter (top center), former Marine Division chaplain in Vietnam, leads prayer at Lone Tree Cemetery in Hayward, and at Memory Gardens in Concord, (center) children's carefully colored drawings lay on gravestone.



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**Bill Fiset**  
... Man Alive ...

o o o o o  
The Jack London Square night club set — Stan Cristo, Warren Gonzales, Don Nofti and others — got this great idea about doing a show for Vietnam veterans at Oakland Naval Hospital. They got promises of four bands, go-go dancers, singers, appearances by performers who'd come over from S.F. and so on, and took their idea to the hospital. They couldn't get in to see any of the top administrators but were told by the secretary to a special services officer that: "We don't think there'd be enough interest in it. Forget it" . .



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A FAMILY REUNION FOR A HERO WHO LOST BOTH HIS LEGS  
Bronze Star winner Robert Wunnenberg (left), his dad and mother.

## Courage of Mother Cheers Hero Amputee

By LARRY FIELDS

It had been 18 groggy months, the last 13 filled with blood and pain, since Navy Corpsman Robert W. Wunnenberg, 23, had seen his parents.

And yesterday afternoon as he sat up in his antiseptic bed at Oakland Naval Hospital, shortly before the reunion, he was more worried than excited.

"I just hope my mom won't break up when she sees me," he said, as he looked down at the flat expanse of bed where his legs used to be.

"She's got a bad heart and it's not good for her to get upset."

It happened on April 21, just south of Da Nang. He had been in Vietnam for

10 months, serving as a front line corpsman with the Marines.

The patrol he was with was ambushed. Everyone ran for cover. He stepped on something.

There was a click that froze his blood. He had often aided victims of that monstrously muffled click. And then there was a silent delay for a few seconds.

"Run," he yelled. "I've just stepped on a landmine."

And then there was the explosion, a muscular wind that tore him apart, and there was blood, so much blood, his

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NEW LEVEL Marine Lance Cpl. Michael A. Crawford of Gettysburg, S.D., makes a call home with an assist from Navy Nurse Lt. Sonya Little of Wayne, Mich. He is using one of 20 pay telephones lowered by Pacific Telephone at the Oakland Naval Hospital to make it easier for wheelchair patients.

2 4C Oakland Tribune Sun., July 16, 1967

## After Months of Pain, Hero Learns to Smile

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blood, all over, and he was lying on the ground, unable to move.

And the bullets from the enemy kept pouring in, dropping his buddies, and he was unable to help them or move from the swelling lake of blood that surrounded him.

But he lay there, bleeding and hurting, shouting instructions to his uninjured buddies, telling them how to treat his fallen comrades, and rejecting all aid until reinforcements came up and routed the Viet Cong.

They gave Wunnenberg the Bronze Star for his bravery, but they took both his shattered legs. They had to amputate above the knees.

Bits of shrapnel also ripped into his right hand and left eye, and those damages remain. He is scheduled for eye surgery tomorrow.

But the war was, thankfully, a long way off yesterday and his parents, Clarence and Elvera Wunnenberg, were flying into Oakland from Beatrice, Nebraska, thanks to the local American Legion Chapter which had raised \$800 so they could make the trip.

Lt. Sandra Biggio, the Piper Laurie-looking nurse in charge of the ward, said the parents almost always cry the first time they see their wounded sons.

"And it's bad for the boys," she said. "It really upsets them."

And suddenly Robert smiled, and there they were. His mom, round-faced and silver-haired, and his dad, lean and white-haired and they went over to their son's bed and smiled.

And it was all right. It was fine.



ROBERT WUNNENBERG  
As a Corpsman in Vietnam

"You look so good to me," his mother said. She hugged and kissed him. "You look awful good."

"It's good to see you, boy," his dad said, also hugging him.

Robert's older sister, Dolores, accompanied her parents to Oakland.

"The people at the candy plant where I worked chipped in and raised \$82 so I could come and see you," she explained.

No one wept.

And pretty Lt. Biggio relaxed. This was one of the few good reunions. She would

have no problems with this one.

Mrs. Wunnenberg pulled out a stack of photographs she had developed from film he sent from Vietnam. She also showed Robert pictures of friends and family back in Beatrice.

The conversation flowed easily. So did the laughter. There was no strain.

Before he enlisted two years ago, Robert worked as a meatcutter. He hoped, after his discharge, to go into business for himself, possibly buying into some franchise operation.

"You know," he told his parents, "They've got me walking already. They've fitted me with two artificial legs and they make me walk four hours each day."

While Robert spoke with his mother and sister, his dad, a cement mixer, told a reporter:

"He's quite a boy, my son. He was afraid of how we might behave when we first saw him, so last month he sent us a picture of how he looks without his legs. He was in a wheelchair and there was a patch over his eye."

"But it helped us. It showed us he was alive and still our boy."

Later, also out of Robert's hearing, Mrs. Wunnenberg said:

"I coached myself not to cry. All the way on the plane I told myself that my tears would only upset him."

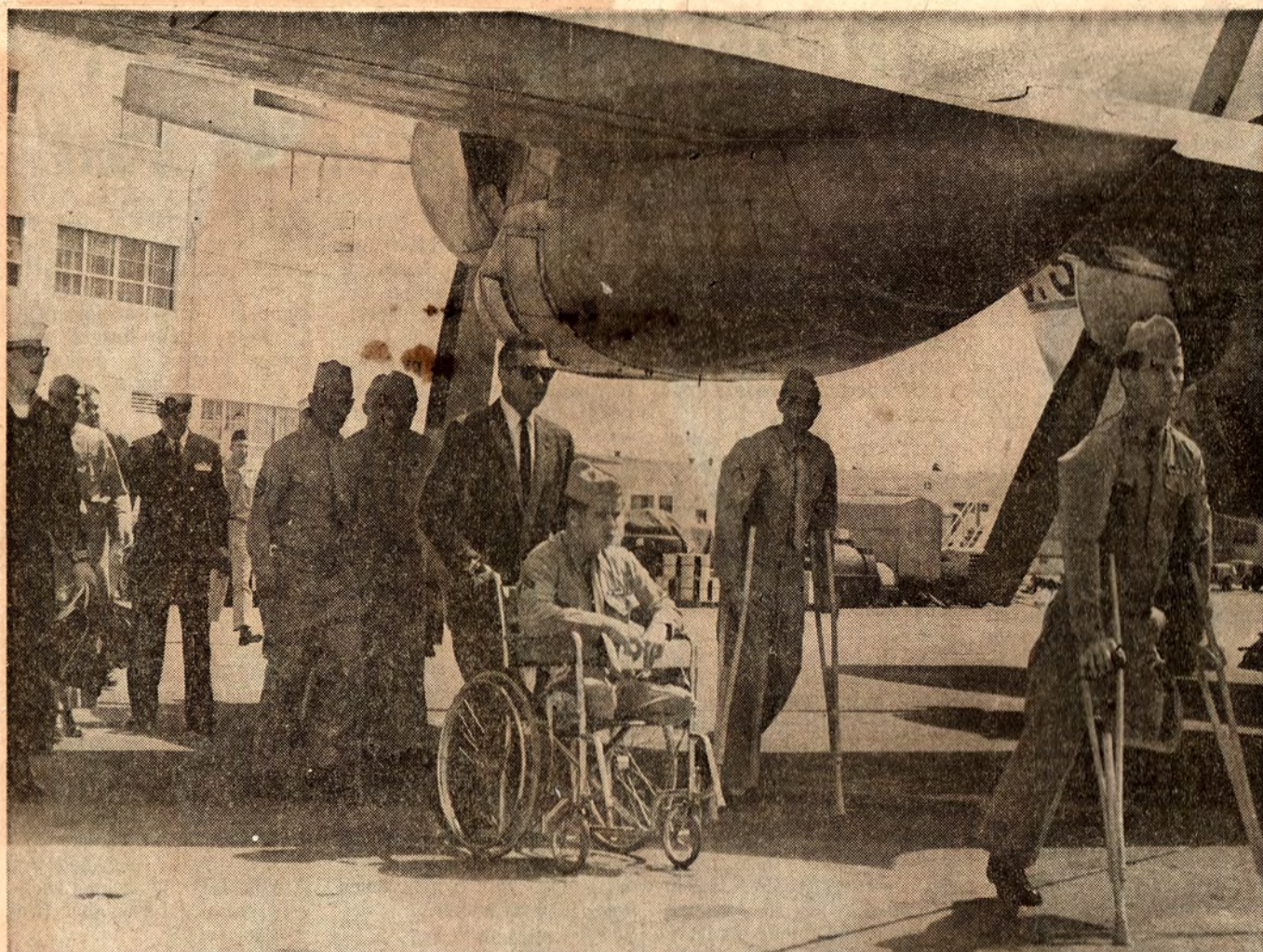
"I shed all my tears before I left home."

"That picture he sent helped me to adjust to the situation. I remembered him being tall and strong. But I would take that picture and look at it maybe 10 times a

day and say to myself this is how he is now.

"And he's all right. And he will be all right. He's got a lot of friends back home in Beatrice. They'll find something for him to do."





Marine amputees head for plane and the Humboldt County fishing country

## Fun Junket for Amputees

A bunch of the boys were waiting for their plane to start out on a fishing trip.

There was the usual laughter and kidding. But otherwise it wasn't a usual kind of fishing trip.

Some of the 16 youths were sitting in wheelchairs, more of them were on crutches, and some stood carefully on the legs the hospital had given them.

And the host awaiting them at the other end of the trip, Humboldt County veterans services officer Ervin Renner, also walks on two artificial legs.

The boys are amputee veterans of the Vietnam War. Renner lost his legs at the Battle of the Bulge in World War II.

This was the second group of boys from the Oakland Naval Hospital invited to be weekend "houseguests" of Humboldt County. Last October's group hunted deer. These are spending three days fishing for salmon — besides being wined and dined by the citizens of several northern towns.

"It's great," said Marine Lance Cpl. Lloyd T. Hamilton, 21, of Noxapeter, Miss., "and it shows that people care, for a change."

Before the Air National Guard plane took off yesterday for Eureka, the others also said thank you in their various ways. The most articulate was Lance Cpl. Michael L. Carey, 21, of Sacramento.

"The people of Eureka can't know how much we appreciate their doing this for us," he said. "It's a great way for them to serve their country at home."

Both Hamilton and Carey are victims of land mines in the Da Nang area. Hamilton lost both legs below the knee. Carey lost his left leg below the knee and his right arm above the elbow, and received facial injuries that necessitated removal of his right eye.

Lance Cpl. Cecil J. Wyatt, 21, of Santa Rosa, who also lost both legs when he stepped on a land mine at Da Nang, agreed it was "wonderful that people went to all this trouble" for them.

Most of the wounded veter-

ans were single amputees. The others of the five most seriously hurt were Marine Pfc. Gerald Castaneda, 19, of Baldwin Park, who also lost both legs to a land mine at Da Nang, and Navy Hospital Corpsman Rand C. Montgomery, 20, of Phoenix, Ariz., whose left arm was blown off by a land mine in the Chu Lai area, and whose lower left leg was badly mangled and is in a cast.

A local boy in the group was Marine Sgt. Justin K. Genson Jr., 20, of 1810 Farm Bureau Road, Concord, whose left leg was blown off by a land mine.

In Eureka, Renner recalled his two years in a Texas hospital after he lost his legs, and said, "All this started in my mind years ago."

"We want to encourage these boys in their rehabilitation process, get them out to meet people, and more important, let people meet them. Even though they're severely disabled they're going to get along later on."

"We want to show them that the citizens in Humboldt County care about them, and

we'd like to make it an annual affair. We've already started the groundwork for another hunting trip in October."

"Perhaps other areas in California could get involved — there are so many with opportunities for recreation for the boys."

The veterans are in charge of Chief Hospital Corpsman Paul Soisson of the Navy Prosthetic Research Laboratory and four other attendants.

The trip is sponsored by the veterans' groups of the county and the Southern Humboldt County service clubs.

The youths are guests at the Scotia Inn, about 20 miles south of Eureka, and will fish for salmon at Trinidad, which is about 15 miles north of Eureka. The necessary transportation is being provided by the automotive dealers at Fortuna, which is between Eureka and Scotia.

An outdoor barbecue at Fortuna, a banquet at the Scotia Inn, a breakfast at Fortuna and a baked salmon luncheon at Trinidad are among the parties the hosts have arranged for the weekend.

## Day's News In Brief

### ACTION LINE

**COOL DRINKS** — Soft drink prices went up to 15 cents in Oakland Naval Hospital's amputee ward. But they didn't stay there long.

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• The price of soft drinks in the amputee wards at Oakland Naval Hospital has been raised from 10 to 15 cents. The wards are old, built to be temporary, no air conditioning, what else to anticipate on a hot day but a cool drink?—F.S.G., Oakland.

The Navy found a way. The price is again 10 cents. And thank you.

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DR. HAROLD A. HARPER  
Navy Citation

## Dr. Harper Wins High Navy Award

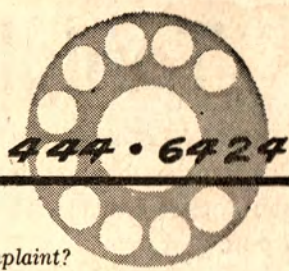
Dr. Harold A. Harper of the University of California Medical Center in San Francisco has received the Navy Meritorious Public Service Citation, the second highest honor bestowed to civilians by the Navy.

The award cites his service to Oakland Naval Hospital, where he has served in an advisory capacity for 20 years.

Dr. Harper is vice chancellor of graduate studies and research and dean of the graduate division at the San Francisco Medical Center.

The gold lapel pin and leather-bound certificate signed by Secretary of the Navy Paul H. Nitze, was presented by Oak Knoll's Commanding Officer Rear Adm. Harold J. Corkely, at the recent graduation exercises for 23 medical and dental interns.

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### Up for Grabs

Oakland Naval Hospital reports that relatives coming to visit Vietnam casualties are in need of low cost rooms or housing.

Rooms are needed for a few days to a few weeks or even months. If not within walking distance of the hospital, they should be near the 56 bus line or one that connects with it.

Also needed are volunteers who could meet the relatives at planes, trains or buses and transport them to the hospital.

Residents of the community wishing to be on call for these services may telephone Mrs. Marian Conklin, Red Cross Field Director at the hospital — 569-8211, Extension 573 or 574.

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## World of Women

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### Viet Veterans Are Feted

Young Navy men, wounded in Vietnam and convalescing at Oakland Naval Hospital, were guests of the M. M. Montes of Pleasanton at a party Saturday.

Nanci Monte, 18, a student at Chabot College, was hostess for the event. "The party is our way of showing the boys we are still thinking of them," she said.





Col. Charles Herrick (center) with Lance Cpl. Larry La Brie (left) and Cpl. David White

## A Treat for Heroes

The two Marine corporals, both young and on crutches, had been wounded in Vietnam last February.

Larry LaBrie, 20, formerly of 5638 Stonehill Drive, was the shorter of the pair. A hand grenade had mangled his left leg. He no longer will be able to walk without a steel brace.

His buddy, David White, 19, of Portland, Ore., was less lucky. He didn't have a left leg. He lost it to a land mine.

Both wore Purple Hearts. White also wore a bronze star ribbon.

But the war was a long way off yesterday as they sat in the Hotel Leamington and attended the regular weekly meeting of the Oakland Rotary Club.

They munched on a luncheon of roast beef and mashed potatoes and listened attentively to the speakers and ac-

cepted the best wishes of the club's membership.

For the past year, wounded vets have been the guests of the Rotary Club at their weekly meetings.

The idea was conceived by Charles Curtis Herrick, 77, club member and former Oakland postmaster.

"It's the least we can do for them," explained Colonel Herrick, U.S. Army (ret.), who graduated from West Point in 1915 with former President Eisenhower and Gens. Omar Bradley and James Van Fleet.

"They need some cheering up," said Herrick, who managed Oakland's Veterans' Hospital from 1946 to 1950.

Herrick gets his guests from the Oak Knoll Naval Hospital. The Rotary Club gives them a standing ovation when they are introduced.

For many, it is the first applause they have ever heard directed at them.

White said he intended to return to Oregon as soon as he was discharged. He said he intended to study architecture in college and get married June 17.

LaBrie, who dropped out of St. Mary's High School in Berkeley, said he hoped to resume his education.

Both Marines expressed indignation at the anti-war demonstrations.

"I was glad to serve my country," White said. "What we're doing in Vietnam has to be done."

"I think," LaBrie said, "all those demonstrators should be drafted and sent to Vietnam. Maybe that will teach them some patriotism."

## 'Hams' Bring Mother to Amputee

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Seaman 2. C. Raymond Carr, a Vietnam war amputee at Oakland Naval Hospital, was reunited with his mother early yesterday, thanks to ham radio operators from around the Bay Area.

Carr, 24, was injured on Mother's Day while assigned to a naval construction battalion near Chu Lai. His legs and

left side were badly damaged by shrapnel when his unit came under a Communist mortar attack.

Since the first week in June, Carr has undergone seven major operations at Oakland naval hospital. Both legs were amputated below the knee.

Word leaked out from Ward 76 at the hospital that Carr

was a ham enthusiast before entering the Navy two years ago. Citizen band radio operators tuned in on the message and shortly after his arrival in Oakland, Carr was broadcasting and receiving on a small radio donated by ham operators around the area.

Last Friday, members of two radio clubs, the CB Islanders of Alameda and CB

Owls of San Leandro, who had met Carr over the air, learned that Carr hadn't seen his mother since he went to Vietnam last June. She lives in Amarillo, Texas.

The word went out, ham operators dipped into pocket books, and at 2 a.m. yesterday Carr, accompanied by about 25 new friends, greeted

his mother at San Francisco International Airport.

Mrs. Rita Carr said Carr looks "real good."

She will visit with her son for three weeks and is staying with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Norton, 1611 Alameda Ave., Alameda. All expenses are being paid by the two radio clubs.

## CBers Aid War Vet Amputee

Citizens band (CB) radio operators in the Eastbay are broadening the scope of their aid to Vietnam war amputee Navy petty officer Raymond Carr.

Earlier this week the youth's mother was flown from Amarillo, Tex., to visit her son in Oakland Naval Hospital, where he is recovering from having both legs amputated after a Communist mortar attack in May.

She'll be in the Bay Area visiting with the 24-year-old veteran until early August — as the guest of CBers.

When she returns to Amarillo it will be a short stay, for the citizens band operators are going to move the entire Carr family here to be near the youth, who was himself a radio operator before going into the Navy.

Al Tercheria, a member of the CB Islanders in Alameda, said the improvement in Carr's morale was so noticeable with the arrival of his mother, that local CBers decided it would be great to make it a permanent situation.

Mrs. Carr has three young

children living at home, who will move with her.

The Alameda Club and the CB Owls of San Leandro are footing the bills thus far, but they plan to seek support from other clubs.

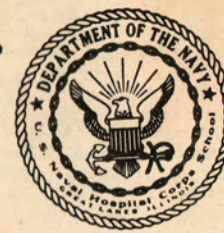
Presently she is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Norton, 1611 Alameda Ave., Alameda. Norton is a member of the Islander club.

Some 200 persons have been involved in the "Ray Carr Project" to date, either with financial aid or by communicating with the youth on the citizen band radio they supplied him with.





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## U.S. Navy Corpsman Mixture Of Many Things

A Navy Hospital Corpsman is a mixture of many things. He may, at one time or another, be called upon to play the role of doctor, nurse, chaplain or confidant.

The corpsman, having joined the Navy to see the world (or because he was drafted) has somewhere along the line expressed a preference or shown an aptitude for hospital work, and he gets it.

Once he has become a hospitalman, a career in the Navy offers a number of varied possibilities, though all now lie within the boundaries of one of the Navy's 25 hospitals, between the bulkheads of a Navy ship or plane, at a dispensary perhaps in some remote spot, or on a blazing battlefield.

The sailor who wears a caduceus (the serpent-entwined staff carried by the Roman god Mercury) does not necessarily tend the sick, although he often does. But he always knows how, for in addition to his weeks in corps school and practical experience on hospital wards, he attends regular classes in nursing procedures after he is assigned to hospital duty.

As is the case in other medical institutions throughout the Navy, the Corpsman at Great Lakes is a "jack of all trades." He

is a ward corpsman; he burps and feeds babies; draws blood from volunteer donors; works in clinics; assists surgeons in the operating room.

He is concerned with food and finance, does medical photography and illustration, keeps personnel and other records. He serves as life guard at the swimming pool, drives the mail truck, repairs equipment.

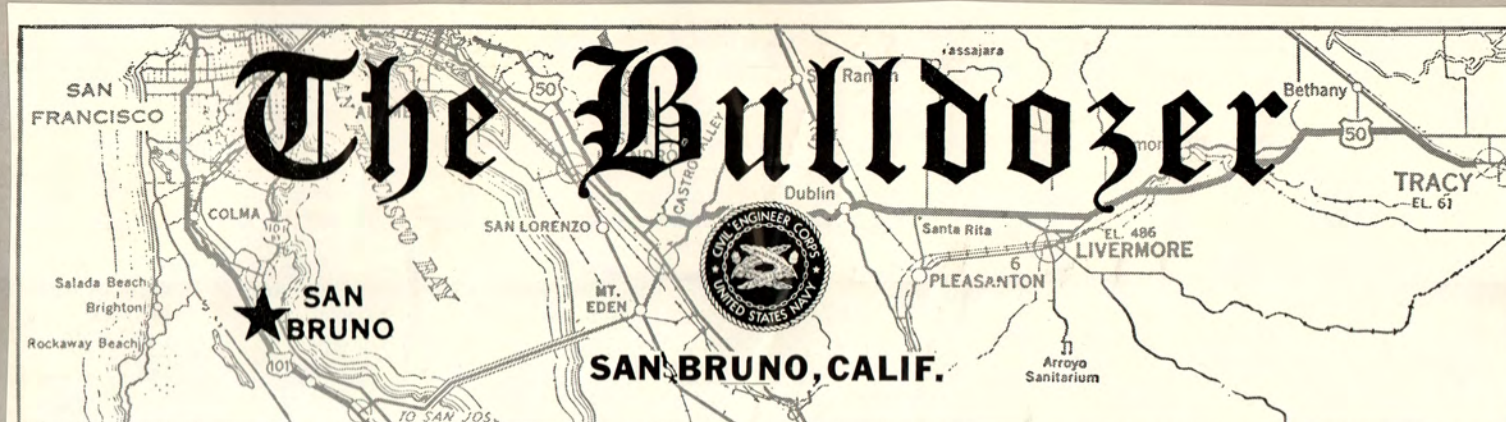
Daytimes, he may wear a badge and assist the security officer in disciplining wayward shipmates; nighttimes, he may be assigned to the OOD watch.

A corpsman is competent in peace and courageous in war. Today, a corpsman may answer to "Doc" or "Mac." Or something like "Hey, Bonecrusher" may be his summons. Whatever the name by which he is addressed, he'll come, for patience is one of his virtues.

Whatever or however a corpsman may be called, he has the respect of doctors, nurses and patients, and though he would be the last to admit it, he is often called an angel in disguise.

One of the most versatile groups in the Navy, the Medical Department's "loblolly boys" have made good.

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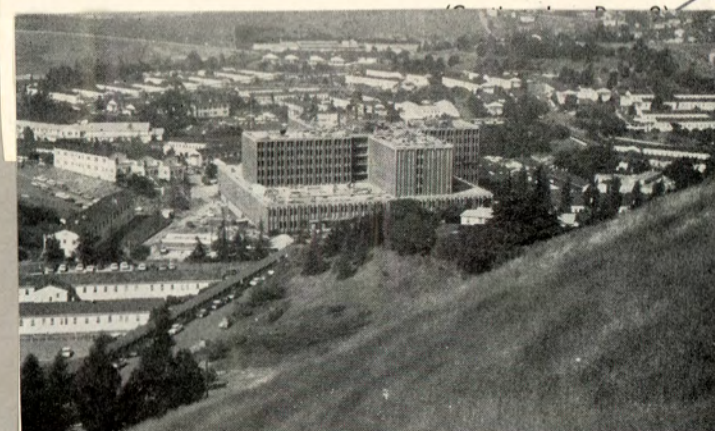
## NEW HOSPITAL Approaches the Sixty Percent Completion Milestone



This is the front of the new hospital as it appeared to Oak Knoll staff, patients and visitors on 22 May 1967. The main entrance is at the Chicago hoist just to the right of center of the photo. With work progressing on the large mechanical penthouse on the top of the structure, the days of the large Pecco travelling crane rising out of the center of the building are becoming numbered. The two story concrete and aluminum-louvered penthouse will house elevator equipment, pneumatic tube system equipment, cooling tower, exhaust fans, etc.

With the end of the winter rains, progress has picked up on construction of the new 650-bed Naval Hospital at Oak Knoll. Completion of sandblasting operations on the exterior walls of the structure has permitted window installation to proceed at a rapid pace. As the building becomes "closed in", additional areas become available for employment of interior crafts personnel throughout the hospital. Major heating and ventilating ductwork has been completed throughout the building, and plumbing and electrical work is proceeding on all floors. The interior of the building is starting to take its final shape as work progresses on installation of plaster and sheetrock partitions and plaster ceilings. The contractor, Huber, Hunt & Nichols, of Santa Clara and Indianapolis, hopes to start quarry tile work in the Galley spaces on the third floor during the month of June.

Following settlement of a nation-wide strike, work was started on installation of the two outpatient elevators during the last week of April, and has subsequently moved to the main bank of three service and three passenger elevators. These latter six ele-



This view of hospital shows the Neuropsychiatric Exercise Area on the roof over the fourth floor in left foreground. The five floors above this level house the clinical, functional, administrative and support facilities.



Form work goes in place for the two-story mechanical penthouse.



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### City's Cookie Queen



**SHY COOKIE LADY**—Drewanne Chidester is photographed as she leaves Red Cross building in Berkeley after delivering her weekly supply of cookies for the servicemen at Oak Knoll Hospital. For more than a year Miss Chidester has been starting every Wednesday baking cookies which she faithfully delivers once a week to the Red Cross. She multiplies each recipe from six to 12 times. Reluctant to be photographed, she was snapped by a fellow Red Cross volunteer just as she was leaving. In the background is Mattie Mae Solon.



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High today 87; low tonight 58. High Friday 96; low 62; Bay Area — Fair through Sunday; North state — Fair; cooler; San Joaquin — Fair. Details, Page 3.

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## Fleet Reserve Convention Opens



James W. Bull

### Chief Bull to Speak On Medicare Rights

"Medicare Rights for Retired Personnel" will be the subject of Master Chief James W. Bull in his address at the convention of the association. Bull has spent more than 25 years in the Navy, and his time has been divided almost equally between sea and shore duty.

He enlisted in Columbia, S.C., in January, 1942, and within a year was caring for the wounded at Fleet Hospital 108 on Guadalcanal. He later served on landing crafts in the New Georgia Islands.

During the Korean War he was on duty with Carrier Air Group 14, serving as a corpsman aboard the USS Kearsarge.

Just before reporting to Oakland Naval Hospital in September, 1966, he spent a year as its co-hospital chair-

leading chief of the Third Medical Battalion, Third Marine Division in Da Nang, South Vietnam.

Only last Friday he received a commendation from the commanding general of the Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, for that duty, where "his vast experience in personnel management enabled him to assign hospital corpsmen so that maximum use was made of their abilities and training."

Bull is now serving as enlisted administrative assistant to the chief of the personnel division at Oak Knoll.

He has been a member of the Fleet Reserve Association since 1965, is at present a member of Branch 47, El Cajon, and has served as its co-hospital chairman and second vice-president.

### Group Started 45 Years Ago

The 11th annual convention of the Fleet Reserve Association, West Coast Region, will open its two-day convention this morning in the Caravan Inn, Sacramento.

The association is an organization of career enlisted personnel of the Navy and Marine Corps, and was founded 45 years ago by Shipmate George L. Carlin.

The association is made up of nine regions, 297 branches, plus memberships-at-large, and more than 68,000 members.

The West Coast region includes 31 branches in northern California, Nevada, Utah, and Colorado.

This region is now headed by Able S. Yates of Castro Valley as president and Joseph Myers of Castro Valley, vice president.

The program follows:

**Saturday, August 5**

1200-1800—Registration of Delegates—Caravan Inn.

1300-1800—Hospitality Room—Gold Room, Caravan Inn.

"Welcome to All Hands".

1330-1600—Conducted Tour—State Capitol, Historical Sutter's Fort and Mills Winery.

1000-1230—No Host—Dinner and Cocktails—Caravan Inn.

Dance and Get-together—Caravan Inn.

**Sunday, August 6**

830—Buffet Breakfast—Safari Room, Caravan Inn.

0830-1200—Registration of Delegates—Caravan Inn.

0930—Regional Caucus opens in joint session with Ladies' Auxiliary in Solarium Room.

Escort of Regional President and Regional Vice President FRA.

Escort of Regional President LAFRA.

Escort of National Officers Present.

Escort of Distinguished Guests.

Escort of Guest Speaker.

Posting of the Colors.

Invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

Preamble to Constitution of the Fleet Reserve Association.

Greetings from Branch 69 President and Unit President.

Greetings from The Honorable Walter Christensen, Mayor, City of Sacramento.

Greetings from Mr. James Phelan, Chairman, County Board of Supervisors.

Greetings from Mr. Harry B. Arnold, City-County Chamber of Commerce.

Introduction of Rear Admiral John E. Clark, Comdt. 12th Naval District.

Introduction of Colonel John E. Maier, Commanding Officer, Sacramento Army Depot.

Introduction of Commander R. J. McGuire, Commanding Officer, N&MORTC Sacramento.

Introduction of Major "G" "B" Tucker, U.S. Marine Corps.

Introduction of Past National Officers.

Introduction of Guest Speaker.

Greetings from Regional President LAFRA.

Greetings from Regional President FRA.

Two Bell Ceremony.

1130—(Recess—Luncheon in Safari Room, Caravan Inn).

(Non-delegates may obtain luncheon tickets at registration desk at cost).

1300—Reconvene—Branch Delegates in Solarium Room, Ladies' Auxiliary in Safari Room.

Report of Committees: Credentials Committee Rules Committee Resolutions Committee.

Report of Regional President. Unfinished Business.

New Business:

Time and Place Report.

Nomination and Election of Regional President for 1967-68.

Nomination and election of Regional Vice President for 1967-68.

Installation Ceremonies.

Good of Order.

Benediction.

Adjournment.

### Sunny Sunday

Fair through tomorrow except fog and low overcast near the ocean extending inland mornings. Low tonight 50 to 57. High today in San Francisco 64, Oakland 72, San Mateo 78, and San Rafael 81. For full report see page 13, Sec. C.

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### Married in Wheelchair

#### Marine Wins Bride

U.S. Marine Captain Carl A. Reckewell III, went to the altar in a wheelchair yesterday to take schoolteacher Joyce Cornelius as his bride.

After the ceremony she wheeled him through the traditional arch of crossed swords.

His left leg was amputated below the knee and his right leg was seriously shattered in a mine explosion near Da Nang, South Vietnam, 13 months ago.

He has been convalescing at the Oakland Naval Hospital in the Oakland hills. The ceremony took place in the hospital's chapel.

The young couple met 2½ years ago and the romance continued by correspondence until Capt. Reckewell suffered his injury. During his stay in the hospital she has lived nearby and taught school in Hayward.

Capt. Reckewell, 32, will require further hospitalization. He is an 11-year veteran of the Marine Corps. He served in Vietnam for nearly a year as commander of F Company, 2nd Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment, 3rd Marine Division. He was awarded a Bronze Star.



HAPPY BRIDE ASSISTS A HERO  
Wheeled under arched swords



### Wounded Officer Married In Wheelchair Wedding

Oakland, Calif. (AP) — A Marine career officer from Smithtown, N.Y., went to the altar in a wheelchair yesterday and was married to a Sacramento girl.

Capt. Carl A. Reckewell III, 32, was gravely wounded in Vietnam more than a year ago, wed Miss Joyce Cornelius, a school teacher.

After the ceremony in the chapel at Oakland Naval Hospital, where Reckewell has been under treatment for 13 months, his bride wheeled him out through the traditional arch of crossed swords.

Reckewell, 32, lost his left leg in a mine explosion during action near Da Nang. He had served there for nearly a year as commander of F Company, 2nd Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment, Third Marine Division.

He will require hospitalization for months more.

The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Lyle W. Cornelius of Sacramento. Cornelius gave his daughter in marriage.

Capt. Reckewell entered the Marine Corps in 1956 after his graduation from Hamilton College, Clinton, N.Y. He was awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service in Vietnam.



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With sincereness, we extend to you a SHIPMATES WELCOME, Delegates of the 11th Annual Convention of the West Coast Region, Fleet Reserve Association.

Your attendance and participation in this, the most significant event of the West Coast Region, is greatly appreciated by the host branch.

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Introduction of Commander R. J. McGuire, Com-  
manding Officer, N&MCRTC Sacramento  
Introduction of Major "G" "B" Tucker, U. S.  
Marine Corps  
Introduction of Past National Officers  
Introduction of Guest Speaker, Rear Admiral H. J.  
Cokely, 12th Naval District Medical Officer  
Greetings from Regional President LAFRA  
Greetings from Regional President FRA  
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1130 (Recess - Luncheon in Safari Room, Caravan Inn)  
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Report of Committees  
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    Rules Committee  
    Resolutions Committee  
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New Business  
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**MARINE CAPT. RECKEWELL AND HIS RADIANT BRIDE, JOYCE**  
Badly wounded in Vietnam, the groom gets an assist under the arch of swords.

## War Hero Weds In Wheelchair

Marine Capt. Carl A. Reckewell III was commanding officer of F Company, 2nd Battalion of the 9th Marine Regiment in the vicinity of the giant air base at Da Nang in the northerly coastal region of South Vietnam.

In April of last year, at the height of civil strife against the Ky regime, the 32-year-old Smithtown, N.Y., career officer led a detail of 60 Marines that stood their ground against a howitzer-armed force of anti-Ky Vietnamese threatening the town of Da Nang.

Later that spring, in action against the Viet Cong, he lost

his left leg below the knee and suffered fractures of the right leg as a result of a land-mine explosion.

He was shipped back for treatment at the Oakland Naval Hospital. He later was awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service in Vietnam.

Saturday, just over a year later, Reckewell was in a wheelchair before the altar of the hospital's chapel. Kneeling beside him in the Nuptial Mass was Joyce Cornelius, whom he had met more than two years ago in her hometown of Sacramento.

Miss Cornelius was radiant in a light ivory silk gown and she carried a bouquet of red roses and stephanotis. A teacher the past year at Glassbrook School in Hayward, she was graduated from Sacramento State College three years ago.

The bride and groom went under the traditional arch of swords. Three of the six Marine and Navy men were fellow patients of the groom—Navy Lt. James Wheeler of Pinole, Navy Lt. (j.g.) Ray Shreenan of Los Angeles and Marine Capt. Benjamin Huey of Mare Island.

The new Mrs. Reckewell will be teaching next year in her husband's hometown, while Reckewell continues his rehabilitation at the naval hospital in Philadelphia.

"We are very, very happy," said Mrs. Reckewell, standing close beside her beaming husband.

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Sun., Sept. 3, 1967 3C 5

### Watsonville Band to Perform

The Watsonville Band, recently back from Canada's EMPO 67 and the California State Fair, will play for patients at Oakland Naval Hospital at 3 p.m., tomorrow.

The 60-piece band will play outside the orthopedic service ward where the largest concentration of Vietnam casualties are located, then in other areas of the hospital. Five majorettes, a Dixieland combo and other groups will entertain bed patients in other wards.

## Grenade Remover Honored

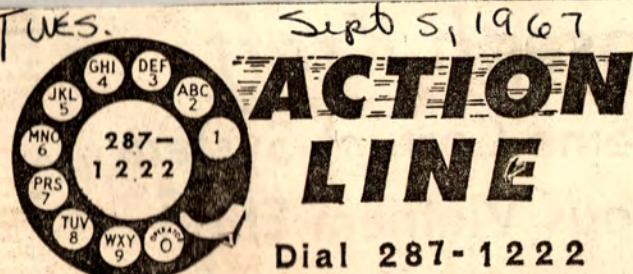
A Bronze Star medal for meritorious service yesterday was presented to Navy Lt. Comdr. James G. Chandler, who removed a live M79 rifle grenade from the throat of a wounded Marine on the battlefield in Viet Nam.

The presentation was made by Capt. Dean Schufelt, executive officer of Oakland Naval Hospital, where Dr. Chandler, 33, has been on duty since March.

A San Francisco-born surgeon, Dr. Chandler was commanding officer of Company C and in charge of the hospital facility, Third Medical Battalion, Third Marine Division, from Feb. 13, 1966, to Feb. 1, 1967.

The citation accompanying the medal noted Dr. Chandler's exceptional leadership, organizational ability and the outstanding care he provided for the more seriously injured including the Marine from whose throat he "calmly and with outstanding precision" removed the live grenade.

Dr. Chandler and his wife, Cynthia, live at 4341 Rilea Way.



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I recently read in a magazine about a group of teenage girls who visited some boys who had been wounded in Vietnam. The boys really appreciated this, and a group of friends and I would like to visit some of the wounded boys in the Bay Area. Could you tell us which hospital they would be taken to or who to contact to find out. —Patti Henry, San Jose

Oakland Naval Hospital at 8750 Mountain Blvd., Oakland is your closest service hospital, at any time they have from 250 to 300 wounded men from Vietnam among their 1,000 patients. The hospital's public affairs office says groups of visitors are very definitely welcome, but they ask you to call Aast. Public Affairs Officer Dorothy Thompson in advance to make arrangements. She will want to know when you are coming, how many girls will be in your group, how old the girls are, and who will be chaperone. She can also tell you what kinds of small gifts, such as playing cards, books or shaving lotion, are appropriate.

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SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE, Friday, Sept. 22, 1967

## Funds for Military Installations

### Washington

A number of Northern California military installations received a hefty slice of \$2.2 billion military construction program approved yesterday by the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Funds were approved for these installations:

Fort Ord: \$27.3 million; Alameda Naval Air Station: \$280,000; Concord Naval Weapons Station: \$20,079 million; Naval Schools, Mare Island: \$2.7 million; Moffett Field: \$119,000.

Oakland Naval Hospital: \$1.4 million; San Francisco Naval Shipyard: \$9.1 million; Treasure Island Schools Command: \$5.8 million.

Hamilton Air Force Base: \$204,000; Mather Air Force Base: \$6.3 million; Travis Air Force Base: \$6 million.

Our Correspondent

SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE, Wed., Aug. 16, 1967

## Private Services for Mary Du Bose

Private memorial services were held in Oakland Sunday for Lieutenant (jg) Mary Hilliard DuBose, one of the first nurses to be officially a part of the United States Navy. She died Friday, aged 91.

Miss DuBose, who was often called the grandmother of the Navy Nurse Corps, entered the Navy in 1908 when President Taft signed legislation establishing the Nurse Corps. She was also one of the first graduates of the Stanford Nursing School.

During her years of service with the Navy between 1908 and 1930, Miss DuBose, worked at Naval hospitals in the United States and abroad.

### NURSE

She was nurse inspector for hospitals in France during World War I, and she also served as chief nurse at the Naval hospital in Cavite, Philippine Islands.

Born in Memphis, Tennessee, she was the daughter of the late Julius J. DuBose, Judge of the Shelby County Criminal Court, and Mary Murfree Polk DuBose, the great niece of James Knox Polk, 11th President of the United States. She was also first cousin of the famed San Francisco architect, Willis Polk.

### NAVY

Following her retirement from the Navy, Miss DuBose did social work at the Jacob Reis Settlement House in New York City. She had been a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and United Daughters of the Confederacy.

She is survived by a sister, Mrs. William Hackley, Buena Park; a brother, Julius DuBose, Palm Springs; two nephews and two nieces.

Interment was in Golden Gate National Cemetery.





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## Roseville Women Provide Afghans For Vietnam Injured



**GIFTS FROM ROSEVILLE** — Representatives of the Roseville Republican Women's Club traveled Wednesday to Oak Knoll, Oakland Naval Hospital to deliver a number of afghans, knitted by local women, to the hospital's patients. The afghan project is being spearheaded by the club throughout the state, but all interested women are invited to knit or do-

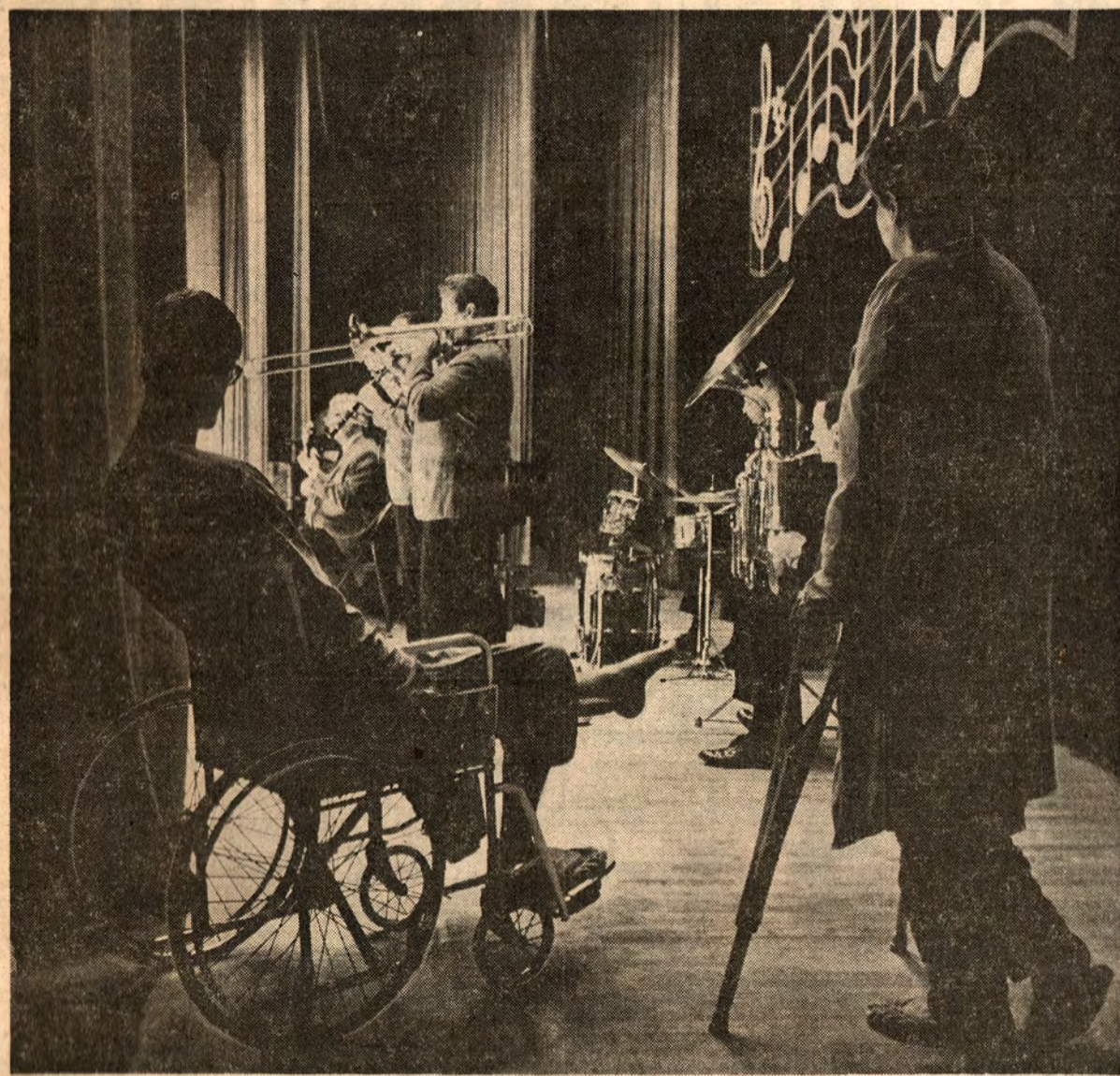
nate much-needed yarn. As seen in photos above, the afghans used and especially enjoyed by the orthopedic patients and amputees. Mrs. Jewell Griffith and Mrs. Gaye Edwards, who made the trip, learned from Red Cross Field Director Mrs. Marian Conklin and Case Supervisor Mrs. Helen Whitten that the toe socks and crutch covers also are needed by the men.

Pictured in left photo is Cpl. Jerry Johnston, USMC, enjoying the sun outside his ward. Receiving the afghans from Roseville were patients Tim Boyle of Colorado and Bob Lindley of Texas, along with Red Cross case-worker Mrs. Alice Spruance. In photo at right is Pfc. Richard C. Lee, USMC, of Carmichael. The men related that they received great use

from the afghans, often referring to them as their "security blankets." Each man is gifted with his afghan to take with him when he leaves the hospital. Those wishing to donate yarn may call 624-2774.

(Photos by Gayle Tindol, Press-Tribune Women's Editor)

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Tribune photo by Prentice Brooks

## Jazz Comes to the Hospital

Turk Murphy and his jazz band play a hot number on stage at Oakland Naval Hospital auditorium as Navy fireman first class Ralph Victor (left) and machinist's mate Frank Lopez

watch from the wings. Murphy was among a group of entertainers including comedian Allan Sherman and jazz singer Jon Hendricks, who put on a show for hospital patients.

32—Thurs., Sept. 14, 1967 Berkeley DAILY GAZETTE

## Variety Show To Feature El Cerritan

Georgette Twain of El Cerrito, natively known banjoist and protege of Eddie Peabody, will share the bill tonight with jazz singer Jon Hendricks, Turk Murphy's band and comedian Allan Sherman in the first professional variety show at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, Oakland, since World War II.

Another East Bay personality, Bernie Burns of Oakland, who plays harmonica, piano and other instruments, also will appear in the show starting at 7 o'clock.

Miss Twain, whose recovery from polio and switch from the



Georgette Twain Plays for Servicemen

verge of a career in opera to a banjo virtuoso was reported in the Gazette two years ago, has recently been appearing in Las Vegas.

The all star variety show to entertain wounded servicemen from Vietnam will be produced by the Theatrical Corp. of America under direction of David L. Stanton of Walnut Creek.

The Oakland Naval Hospital, which was built on the grounds of the old Oak Knoll Golf and Country Club in East Oakland, was commissioned July 1, 1942 to receive casualties being brought back from the Pacific.

Today, with casualties being flown in from Vietnam within a few hours after being wounded in action, the hospital is again a hub of constant activity.

In the last two years, the hospital has received nearly 2,000 patients from Vietnam.

Oak Knoll has become the Navy's West Coast Center for treatment of Orthopedic and neuropsychiatric patients.

At the present time, the daily patient census is between 800 and 1,000. Of this number, 200 have returned wounded or ill from Vietnam, 54 of them amputees.

Thurs., Sept. 14, 1967 ALAMEDA TIMES STAR

## Top Revue Tonight For Wounded Vets

Top-flight entertainers will donate their talents tonight to provide a variety show for wounded Viet Nam veterans at the Oakland Naval Hospital, under the direction of David L. Stanton.

Appearing on the program to cheer the wounded servicemen will be Allan Sherman, John Hendricks, Turk Murphy's jazz band, Georgette Twain and Bernie Burns.

The show will be the first of its kind to be staged at the Oakland Naval Hospital since World War II days, when the hospital was known as Oak Knoll.





**SWIFT ACTION SAVES LIVES WITH PERALTA HOSPITAL CORONARY UNIT**  
Dr. Charles Gallup, Mrs. Suzanne Stone demonstrate equipment and techniques

# Coronary Care Units Urged For Every Hospital in U.S.

By JIM HAZELWOOD  
Tribune Science Writer

The United States could give itself a medical gift equal to 50,000 successful heart transplants a year, according to the president of the American Heart Association.

This is far more people than are ever likely to be saved by the tricky, dangerous transplant operation, said Dr. Jesse E. Edwards, but the means of accomplishing it are already at hand.

Dr. Edwards opened the 1968 Heart Fund campaign in Chicago and described how the nation can prevent 50,000 coronary fatalities a year.

The secret, he said, lies in building intensive coronary care units in every part of the country.

Although some parts of the U.S., notably the Bay Area,

are well equipped with these new units, there is a deplorable lack of them throughout most of the country, Dr. Edwards said.

Intensive coronary care units are special wards with equipment for continuous monitoring of the heartbeat of victims of a coronary attack.

Whenever a patient suffers a seizure or the heart stops altogether, highly trained nurses can move in instantly to take emergency measures.

They are equipped with devices for performing artificial resuscitation, giving oxygen and for taking many other life-saving measures.

Their principal weapon is a machine which can deliver precisely measured electric shocks through the body of the victim, a technique which can start a fluttering heart beat-

ing normally again.

Dr. Edwards said that many areas of the U.S. are woefully deficient in such units.

"Of the 2,600 hospitals with from 50 to 200 beds for acute illnesses, there are now fewer than 400 coronary care units," he said.

There are only about 800 such units in the 5,000 U.S. hospitals, treating acutely ill patients, he added.

"A desirable goal would be at least one such facility in each of these hospitals."

Dr. Edwards claimed that at least 50,000 persons with "hearts too good to die" are claimed each year.

"When we examine the heart after death we usually find more than an adequate amount of healthy muscle for good heart function," he said.

"We see a heart that might still be beating had its owner been fortunate enough to have been placed in a coronary care unit."

Dr. Edwards said the setting up of coronary care units presents none of the difficult problems associated with heart transplants.

"It could be done without worrying about blood compatibility or organ rejection," he said.

"It could be done without surgery, and it could be carried forward within the framework of our presently existing knowledge, as well as within our technical and financial resources.

The Eastbay is particularly well equipped with coronary care units.

Martin Paley, director of the Bay Area Health Facilities Planning Association, said there are 18 in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties.

Hospitals which have them, he said, include:

Alta Bates in Berkeley; Civic Center in Oakland; Doctors of San Leandro; Edden in Castro Valley; Herrick in Berkeley; Kaiser in Hayward, Oakland and Richmond; Levine in Hayward; Merritt in Oakland; Peralta in Oakland; San Leandro Memorial; St. Rose in Hayward; Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland; Brookside in San Pablo; Concord Community; John Muir in Walnut Creek, and Martinez Community.



# Eastbay Ranks High as Brain Center

By DODIE LIVINGSTON

"Bring me men to match  
my mountains,  
Bring me men to match  
my plains,  
Men with empires in their  
purpose,  
And new eras in their  
brains..."

As this famous stanza from Sam Walter Foss's "The Coming American" so succinctly says, communities do not thrive on convenient location and favorable climate alone.

They grow strong when men of vision grasp potentiality and care enough to activate themselves in the challenge of creating something grand.

They grow strong when inventive minds, never satisfied with the way things are, shape bigger goals and advance new ideas.

They grow strong when an adventurous spirit spreads, both within the community and outside, to draw more hands and minds to the business of building.

For an abundance of brain power is just as important as an abundance of physical resources. And, in fact, it is only when a community utilizes both that it becomes more than just another dot on the map.

The Eastbay is one of the more exciting examples of what some call "a good mix" of physical and mental resources in the world today.

Where is all this brain power?

It is all around, starting with you and your concerns, your neighbors, the community club or town council, your employer, his cohorts in business and industry, the chamber of commerce, the two county government structures, educators and researchers, athletes, the artists and students.

Brainpower is people in laboratories discovering more about the atom or what human life is all about. Brain power is people at the drawing boards, designing more attractive industries, homes or schools.

Brain power is people who think yesterday's answers aren't good enough for tomorrow, whether they be housewives, boy scout leaders, industrialists, businessmen or community officials.

Brain power built the University of California, one of the most important catalysts in the community's history. Brain power built the Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum Complex, which has opened a whole new vista to residents of the Eastbay.

Dr. John K. Hemphill, director of the Far Western Regional Laboratory for Educational Research and Development, believes the Eastbay now is on a par with the great "think centers" of the world.

Dean Sanford Elberg, head of UC's graduate division, says, "the Eastbay is a focus of world affairs and interest."

Dr. Hemphill feels the prominence was "no accident.



DR. SANFORD ELBERG  
U.C.'s contribution

Top people look for these places. If an area is hostile, if there is no challenge or culture, they won't come."

But the Eastbay's attractiveness did not develop overnight.

U.C. merits credit for much of the impetus.

It was one hundred years ago that the University settled in Berkeley.

Who then could possibly have foreseen the eventual impact?

Dean Elberg notes that, as a land grant college, U.C. has the obligation of service not only to its students but the state as well.

The University took the dual role seriously and from the beginning made vast contributions, particularly in agriculture, California's leading industry.

Cal researchers, for example, found a way to stem an outbreak of botulism in canned olives with improved canning techniques and now maintain a canning laboratory in Berkeley.

Dr. Elberg believes, "it is probably fair to say that the Federal Government chose to establish the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Far Western Regional Laboratory for research in Albany due to the proximity of U.C."

As it grew, U.C. began collaborating with business and industry in a quest for improved problem-solving and personnel training techniques. U.C.'s medical laboratories have grown to worldwide prominence. Its engineering laboratories have become a valuable asset.

They were called upon to test all the new materials to be used in construction of the Bay Bridge and now help build better highways, harbors and aircraft, to mention a few.

"U.C.'s department of physics began a technological revolution in nuclear research that spread around the world," Dr. Elberg said. The Donner and Lawrence Radiation Laboratories continue important, high-level medical and nuclear research.

"The faculty at Berkeley has always had a very high sense of service," he feels. "This is a great tradition. One can only hope future genera-

tions of faculty will carry on."

With U.C.'s growth have come thousands of highly-trained men and women to the Eastbay, to work at the University or near it in industries dependent upon Cal's brains.

The scope of the University's impact is phenomenal, Dr. Elberg said, far exceeding the thousands of graduates who have left for jobs in the community.

Kaiser Industries, which is headquartered in Oakland, has had an enormous impact on the area, too.

The Kaiser industrial complex is composed of 60 active companies and subsidiaries many of which deal in vast quantities of materials all around the world. Yet the Kaiser Center in Oakland is most unique in that practically all it contains is Kaiser's primary resource—people with brains and ability.

Kaiser has not only expanded the Eastbay's stature both nationally and internationally. The firm also contributes its talents to the local community, both in cultural undertakings like the Oakland Symphony and Oakland Museum and in major building projects.

Perhaps the most notable example is the Coliseum.

Edgar F. Kaiser joined with developer Robert T. Nahas, Tribune Publisher William F. Knowland, construction executive George Looz, and the late George Havas, vice president of Kaiser Engineers, and the late Gerald Hagar, an attorney and president of the U.C. Board of Regents, to formulate the plans that were to make the Coliseum possible.

Kaiser, Nahas, Knowland and Looz continue to serve on the Coliseum Inc. board of directors with Judge Joseph A. Schenone, Jack D. Malteser and John A. Ratekin.

Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Sales Corporation now is building a \$10 million research center on an 80-acre site in Pleasanton, and the beautiful Kaiser Center—a vast concentration of minds—will be expanded in the block bounded by 21st, 22nd, Valdez and Harrison Streets in Oakland.

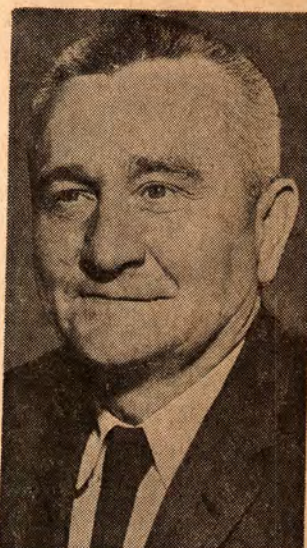
Safeway Stores, a billion-dollar food processing and distributing company headquartered in Oakland, is another important element of brain power along with Lucky Stores, Louis Stores and United Grocers.

Drawn by ready access to suppliers, good transportation and a large population center, the food industry broadens the Eastbay's talents considerably.

Dozens of developers have built industrial parks and worked with chambers of commerce to bring in new firms and enlarge the tax base.

Expansion at the Port of Oakland, another product of brain power looking ahead, will double its 3 million annual tonnage by 1980, it is predicted.

Expansion of the Contra Costa County steel industry will bring in new brains, not to mention job opportunities



DR. JOHN K. HEMPHILL  
"Big brain power here..."

and payrolls, and greatly enhance the area's industrial muscle in oil and petrochemicals, nucleonics and electronics.

Growth puts new demands on the brain power of the public schools, not only requiring more plants and more

teachers but more sophisticated programs to prepare youngsters for the complex society in the world today.

There are 25 institutions of higher learning in Alameda County, four in Contra Costa. They are training nearly 50,000 students, well over one-third the entire Bay Area's total of just over 130,000.

There are 19 public school districts in Alameda County, 19 in Contra Costa. They have nearly 390,000 boys and girls, over one-third the 1.1 million in the entire Bay Area. Approximately 30,000 parochial school children in the Eastbay represent more than one-fourth the 99,000 in the Bay Area.

Among the colleges and universities are four junior college districts which provide transfer programs for the university and state or private college-bound student and vocational and business training for the job-bound.

California State College in Hayward was the first state college founded in the Eastbay. In a few years it will be

joined by another in Concord.

These schools, along with such private institutions as St. Mary's and Mills Colleges, College of the Holy Names, Kennedy University, and California College of Arts and Crafts, not only supply a wide range of programs but give more thrust to the Eastbay's brain resources.

Sometimes the connection between industry and schools seems a remote one. Perhaps the best common denominator to relate the importance of each to the other is jobs. More and more, industrialists and educators are finding themselves at the same table discussing employment—how the schools can better meet industry's needs and how industry can better transmit its needs.

A vast complex of religious schools adjacent to U.C. in Berkeley gives the Eastbay another important dimension.

Both undergraduate schools like the Pacific School of Religion, which celebrated its 100th anniversary in 1966, and the Graduate Theological Un-



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Eastbay is better for their efforts.

ion have made Berkeley one of the foremost theological education centers in the world.

The Union is a cooperative graduate study program incorporated in 1962 and now involving more than 100 students and six denominations.

Since before the turn of the century, many famous authors have settled in the Eastbay. Jack London, Edwin Markham, Ambrose Bierce, Joaquin Miller, Ina Coolbrith, John Muir, Josiah Royce, Eugene Burdick, Erskine Caldwell, Mark Schorer, and Jessica Mitford are among them.

The cultural brain power of men like Gerhard Samuel, who built the Oakland Symphony from virtual anonymity to national acclaim, broaden the community's opportunities and interests.

Men of government toil daily with the problems of building strong communities, and many deserve credit for the talent they have applied to their work. The face of the

Research is active in Eastbay hospitals such as Peralta in Oakland, which has developed a heart monitoring system to aid in the care of heart patients, and Children's Medical Center in Oakland, which invented an X-ray machine that can take X-ray movies while catheters are being inserted into the heart or other organs.

The Alameda County Coroner's office now utilizes an apparatus that can make about 23 clinical analyses at once, greatly speeding up its work.

Oakland Naval Hospital has developed an international reputation for its work with fitting amputees for artificial limbs, concentrating both on the patient's physical and psychological needs.

Cognizant that as all the resources within a community are important so are those of neighboring areas, the Eastbay is seriously involved in regional studies on bay conservation, transportation and government.



# TEEN Age!

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## Volunteers give 3,000 hours

Sixty-three young people returning to high school classes in Alameda, Berkeley and Oakland can boast of an impressive record; collectively they gave nearly 3,000 hours of their vacation time to service at the Oakland Naval Hospital.

The Red Cross "Volunteers" worked in the pediatric ward, pharmacy, immunization clinic, central sterilizing room, occupational and physical therapy, chart room and crew's library.

In addition to these tasks, which do not require skill but which are necessary to keep the hospital running smoothly, they assisted with recreation activities and Red Cross personal service.

Volunteers from the Red Cross Alameda Chapter were Vikki Alexander, Gloria Alsing, Thekla Astrup, Nancy Brown, Ruth Bremer, Cindi Bryant, Anna Butler, Kathy Crocker, Beth Hannon, Janet Holst, Alicia King, Deborah Keenan, Carolyn Minot, Sue Moss, Karen Peel, Val Pickard, Sally Stang, Carmencita Valerio, Cheryl Valeboe and Brian McDonald.

From Berkeley Chapter came Nancy Dittenbir, Nelda Fields, Marilyn Lauenroth, Thurlay Mohrbacher and Grace Gold.

Representing Oakland were Fran Britto, Kim Berg, Kay Bryant, Juanita Burns, Chris Cavanaugh, Kendra Chance, Sue Dsenbury, Jane Freitas, Janice Gore, Lindsey Hein, Audrey Hibi, Terri Knowlton, Patti Knoblich, Cynthia Kirkman, Mary and Theresa Lor-

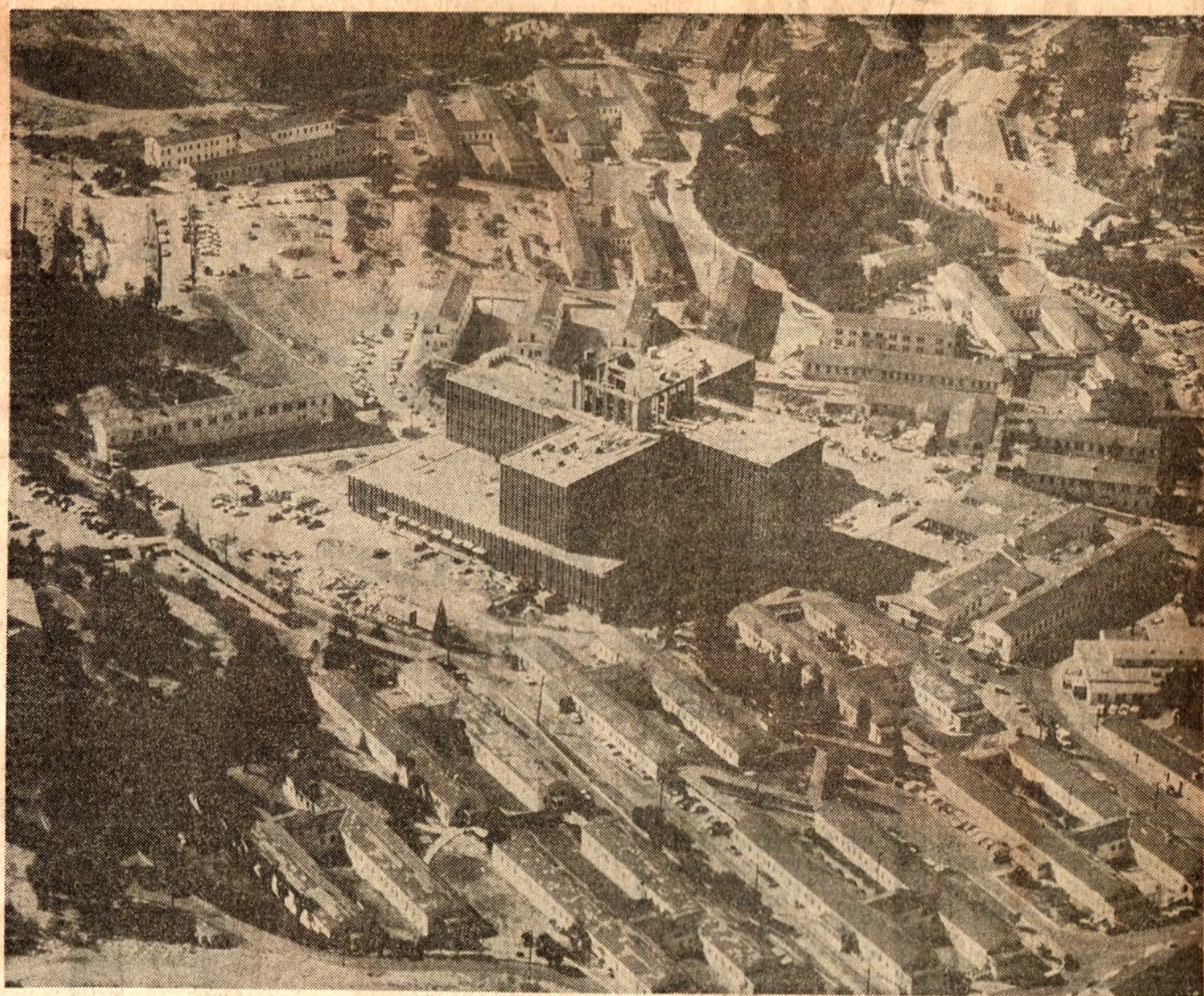
ette, Linda Loy, Deborah Miggins and Kathy Morris.

The Oakland group also included Carole Ann Marston, Mary O'Connell, Monica Parker, Anita Patterson, Debbie Raphael, Jane Reiter, Maureen Sirhall, Joan Selina, Deborah Souza, Yvonne Valle and Kim Woishnis.

West Contra Costa Chapter sent Judy Baldwin, Ann Bale-rud, Debbie Hays, Margaret Hawkins, Judith Munday, Carolyn Reynolds, Judy Schoen-daler and Ida Sebastian.

The teen-agers and their parents were honored at a tea at the hospital Officers Club before school started.

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Tribune photo by Russ Reed from plane of Pacific States Aviation, Concord

New nine-story Oakland Naval Hospital contrasts sharply with military-type present structures

## Navy's Hospital Nears Completion

Major structural work on the new \$14.5 Oakland Naval Hospital has been virtually completed and Navy officials said today they expect to occupy the new building late next spring.

The 650-bed structure is considered more than 70 per cent finished with most of the construction effort now devoted to interior work.

The nine-story hospital is located on a hill-encircled area near the existing hospital's administration buildings.

It will serve to replace the

antiquated, 1941 vintage "temporary" hospital buildings that were constructed at the height of World War II.

The hospital will have nearly a half-million square feet and include wards for surgical, orthopedic, pediatric and obstetrical patients.

Ground was broken for the hospital on Dec. 6, 1965.

## Volunteers Assist at Oak Knoll

Five young Berkeleyans were among the 63 Red Cross "Volunteers" who gave a total of nearly 3,000 hours of service to Oakland Naval Hospital during the summer months.

They worked in the pediatric ward, pharmacy, immunization clinic, central sterilizing room, occupational and physical therapy, chart room, and crew's library, helping with a variety of tasks that do not require technical skill yet must be done to keep the hospital running smoothly. They also assisted with ward recreation activities and Red Cross personal service such as shopping for patients.

"Volunteers" from the Berkeley Chapter, Nancy Dittenbit, Nelda Fields, Marilyn Lauenroth, Thurlay Mohrbacher and Grace Gold,

## Poolside Party & Fashions

A poolside party in Piedmont was a summer highlight for members and guests of the Women's Council of the Oakland Real Estate Board.

The Frank Tallarico home on Valant Place provided the setting.

Organ music was supplied by Arthur Chenoweth, with members serving as models.

The "Fashion Rhapsody" luncheon and show was a benefit event—with Vietnam veteran patients at Oakland Naval Hospital as beneficiaries.

Members of the real estate council visit Oak Knoll wards twice monthly and bring homemade cookies, birthday cakes, punch, bingo and prizes such as camera sets and transistor radios, provide vignettes of famous football games and live entertainment.

Council women, as one of their projects, took a large group of patients to the Ice Follies at the Oakland Coliseum in May.

## World of Women

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MRS. ROBERT ATKINSON (RIGHT) WAS MODEL  
... Mmes. Frank Tallarico, Muriel King



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Ward 76-B, a place of pain and courage where the war is over but recovery just started

## Young Amputees Face a New Life

"The Marine Corps Builds Men;  
Oak Knoll Builds Spare Parts for Them."  
An Anonymous Marine, 1967

By TOM FLYNN  
Tribune Military Writer

Marine Corporal Kip Turn came to Oakland Naval Hospital and was issued a new spare part.

It was a left leg.

The young Texan from San Angelo left the original at An Hoa, South Vietnam, on the Fourth of July when the Viet Cong mortared his artillery unit.

A few days later, he was being wheeled through the front door of an old wooden barracks building near the front gate of Oakland Naval Hospital for his first meeting with "Silver Fox."

Twenty-seven days later, he was walking on a new left leg.

The man who saw to it that he could stand again was Capt. Frank Golbranson, the "Silver

Military writer Tom Flynn lived side-by-side in combat with American fighting men in Vietnam to bring Tribune readers special reports.

Now he reports from another, unheralded front where grievously wounded heroes demonstrate quiet courage daily.

Flynn stayed from dawn to dusk, day after day, in the amputee ward at Oakland Naval Hospital. This is the first of three penetrating studies of brave men and modern medicine in the battle of recovery.

Fox," a big burly orthopedic surgeon who runs the Naval Prosthetics Research Laboratory, more commonly known by its initials.

Frank Golbranson and the men of NPRL build the "spare parts" for sailors and Marines.

Half legs, whole legs, left or right, complete with foot and shoe.

Through the years since the lab was started

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### 'Valiant Ones' From Vietnam

From the outside, Ward 76-B is just another long, low wooden building at Oakland Naval Hospital high in the East Oakland hills.

But inside there is a powerful, unfolding story of quiet courage and amazing medical advances.

It is there amputees from the battlefields of Vietnam live while they're being fitted with artificial limbs and prepared to resume civilian life.

Military Writer Tom Flynn brings the story of "The Valiant Ones" to Tribune readers beginning Sunday.

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### Unheralded Heroes of Viet War

Military Writer Tom Flynn has reported direct from the battlefronts to Tribune readers about the courage of American fighting men in Vietnam.

Beginning tomorrow he tells the story of some of these heroes in another, unheralded battle, fought high in the East Oakland hills.

The Valiant Ones is the story of the Marines and sailors being fitted with artificial limbs at Oakland Naval Hospital. It is a story of men and medicine, of great pain and loss and yet surprising humor, and above all, a story of quiet courage.

Watch for The Valiant Ones in the big Sunday Tribune.





Navy technicians fit Marine Corps Cpl. Kip Turn with his new leg



Detailed adjustments are made to each prosthesis to assure proper gait

Tribune photos by Howard Erker

## Making 'Spare Parts' and Brave Men

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during World War II, it has won a reputation as a pioneer in the field of prosthetics.

Golbranson and his staff believe the keys to rehabilitating a legless Marine are speed, relentless pushing, and little sympathy.

"We are continually pushing the amputee and with good reason. In the past he tended to lie around and think, 'I'm not a whole man anymore.'"

During World War II and Korea, it took an average of six months to get a man back on his feet. Today it can sometimes be accomplished in as little as six weeks.

Golbranson takes some justifiable pride in the high morale of the amputee and believes it is at least partially the result of getting him up walking as quickly as possible.

The environment on the amputee wards also contributes.

"If a man starts to feel sorry for himself, there's always somebody further on down the ward that's worse," says Golbranson.

"I remember once during the Korean War. We had a pretty immature youngster who lost a leg. He had a bad psychological problem and gave us a lot of trouble.

"We shifted him down next to a man who had both legs off. Two days later, he wasn't a problem any more."

NPRL labors at both the psychological and medical rehabilitation of the patient, although its assigned responsibility is only for the latter.

When the amputee arrives at NPRL, one of his first meetings is a group session with Charlie Ashbelle, research director for the lab.

Ashbelle is an easy-going, likable man who prides himself in thinking like an amputee and whose fondest memory is of a young Marine who mistakenly thought he was.

Ashbelle operates on the principle that "these young men want everything in life that everyone else has" and he goes out of his way to convince them they can have it all.

First, however, he must get them to recognize and avoid all the possible pitfalls that can entrap them.

"Most amputees usually go through a number of emotional stages at first, beginning with shock over their loss, then depression and fear of what's ahead for them," says Ashbelle.

"Finally they reach the moment when they must compensate for the loss."

The amputee must decide how he's

going to compensate for his loss: He can adjust to it and try to lead as normal and useful a life as his injuries will allow, or he can pick a life from one of the depressing five possibilities Charlie Ashbelle outlines for him.

He can be full of self-pity and with frequent excursions to the neighborhood bars can find plenty of people to indulge that self-pity. He becomes an alcoholic.

He can be the smug, self-satisfied "crippled hero" or the laugh-a-minute, "crippled clown," or bitter and hate-filled, or full of the aggressive behavior that stems from the "I can get away with anything now" complex.

Or he can follow Charlie Ashbelle's advice. Most do.

"We tell them to accept their handicap and live accordingly, plan a workable future and a normal romance and marriage," he says.

"We tell them to be independent without going overboard and to be prepared to accept the hurts that are bound to come from other people."

The psychological buildup is vital to the rehabilitation of an amputee, but NPRL's first job is getting the man a new leg.

In that respect, the lab more closely resembles a factory than a clinic.

The lower floor of the two-story building is compartmented into machine shops, wood-working shops, plastic-molding and other shops.

There is an amazing amount of detailed work that goes into the creation of an artificial limb.

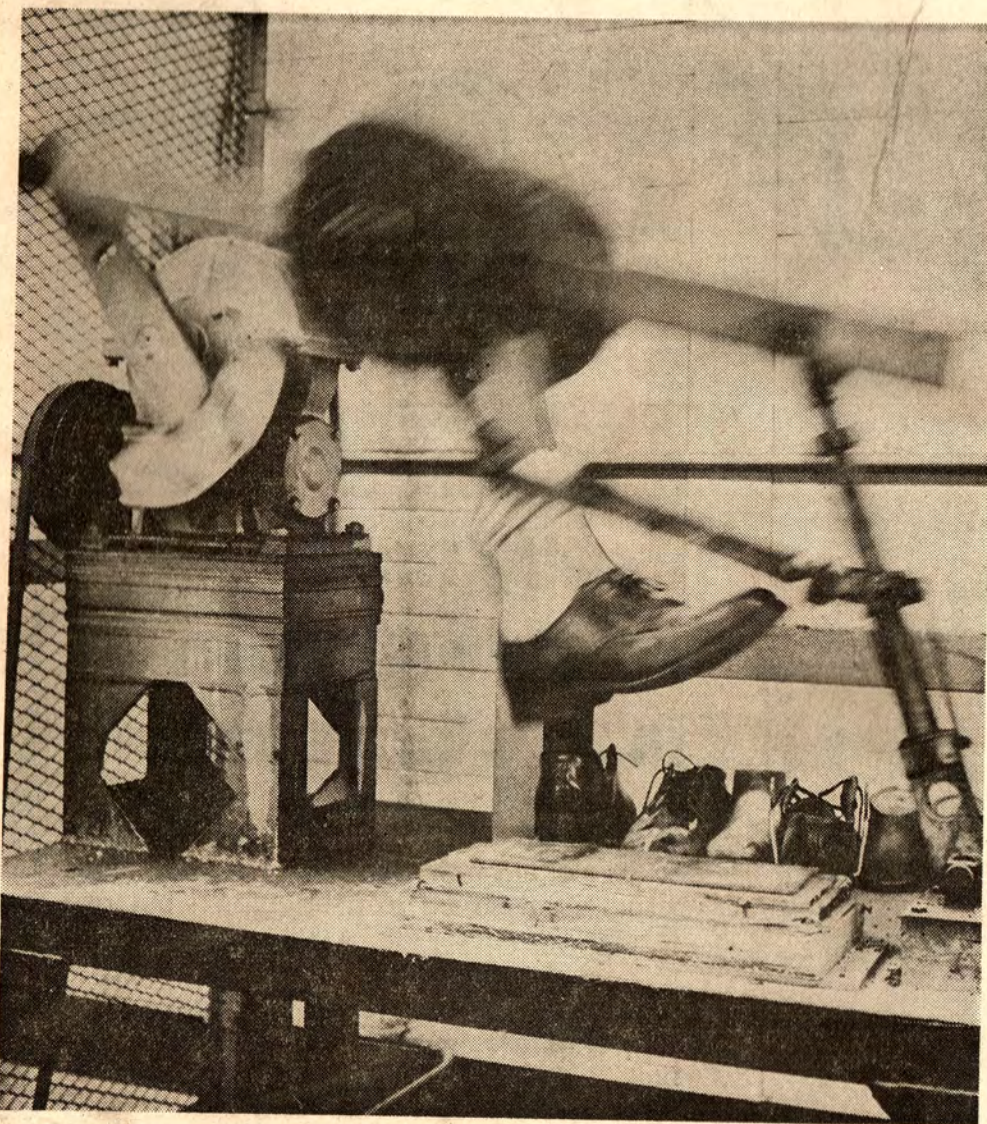
The mechanical joints that serve as ankles, for example, require dozens of adjustments until its movement approximates that of a real ankle as nearly as possible.

Then there is the arduous routine of keeping a man walking day after day with his new leg until he can develop the proper gait.

He walks in front of a mirror at all times and not infrequently a number of the workers at NPRL can be found down on their hands and knees trying to diagnose the "damn something" that's wrong with his gait.

"We want it to be as natural as possible. You think about what he's going to look like when he's walking across a carpet in some New York office."

For most of the men up on the amputee wards, that is the day they are waiting for.



A mechanical 'walker' tests new artificial foot in Navy research program



Capt. Frank Golbranson, 'Silver Fox'

TOMORROW: Sunset on 76-B.



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There is a moment of uncertainty before an amputee goes home

## Sunset on Ward 76-B

BY TOM FLYNN  
Tribune Military Writer

The sunset of a hot summer day is a moody time when the air is still and there is little sound and a man in a wheelchair can watch the coming of night and think the dark thoughts he hides in the day.

It can be a dreary, soulful time up on the hill at Oakland Naval Hospital.

The bellies of the young Marines are full with supper and the big electric clock on the wall says there is still an hour before the nightly parade of noisy visitors.

The boisterous chatter has dwindled away with the sun and it is a good time for thinking.

There is plenty to brood about up on the hill in Ward 76-B.

All a 19-year-old Marine has to do is look down at the bandaged stumps of what once were his legs.

It is hard to fault that 19-year-old for thinking dark thoughts.

Deep, mournful thoughts.

Ken Hunter bursts into the ward, furiously

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pumping his wheelchair, a flash of brown skin and blue pajamas and white bandages.

With an excited, incredulous yell, he stops the sunset on 76-B.

"Hey you guys, there's two hippies outside."

The ward erupts into life.

Three of the men jerk up in bed, grab hand-

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# 'Oh nurse, would you please marry me?'

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holds on the frame and swing and lower themselves into their wheel chairs.

Like a posse on the chase, they wheel out into the center of the ward and head for the back door with Hunter.

They are followed by hooting and hollering from the ward.

Dick Lee struggles up on his elbows. Four steel pins through his left leg hold it up in traction. He can't get out of bed.

He yells after Hunter.

"Hey, hey, Bring them on in here. I've never seen me a real live hippie."

The two young men outside barely classify as hippies, but their dress is casual and their hair long and uncombed, and that's enough for these Marines, who are accustomed to the close-cropped hair and spit and polish dress of the Corps.

Hunter and the others surround them in a rough semi-circle of wheelchairs and bait them up.

"Hey, man, are you with the circus?"

But the "hippies" are having none of it, and they ignore the remark, deftly turn the conversation away to less touchy subjects, then finally leave.

They came to a nearby ward to visit another Marine they knew years before in school.

Now the salty humor of young Marines descends on him and he stammers and stutters in defending one set of friends against another.

## Visits, Then Sleep

The clock ticks away and soon the ward is filled with visitors. Then the lights dim and the men are tired and they sleep.

Another day has slipped by in the months it will take most of them to recover from the shock of war and the pain of their wounds.

Unintentionally, the hippies have helped it pass.

The conscious effort starts at 6 a.m. the next day.

The Navy believes in keeping an amputee busy. It is the quickest road to recovery. He gets little time to compound his physical problems with psychological ones.

Most of the slack is taken up by the men themselves who refuse to let one another slip into the morbid brooding pictured by movie versions of the World War II amputee.

Dr. Jack Batcheller, a big, good-looking Navy commander, hits the ward about 7 a.m. and starts down the rows of beds with a team of nurses and corpsmen in trail.

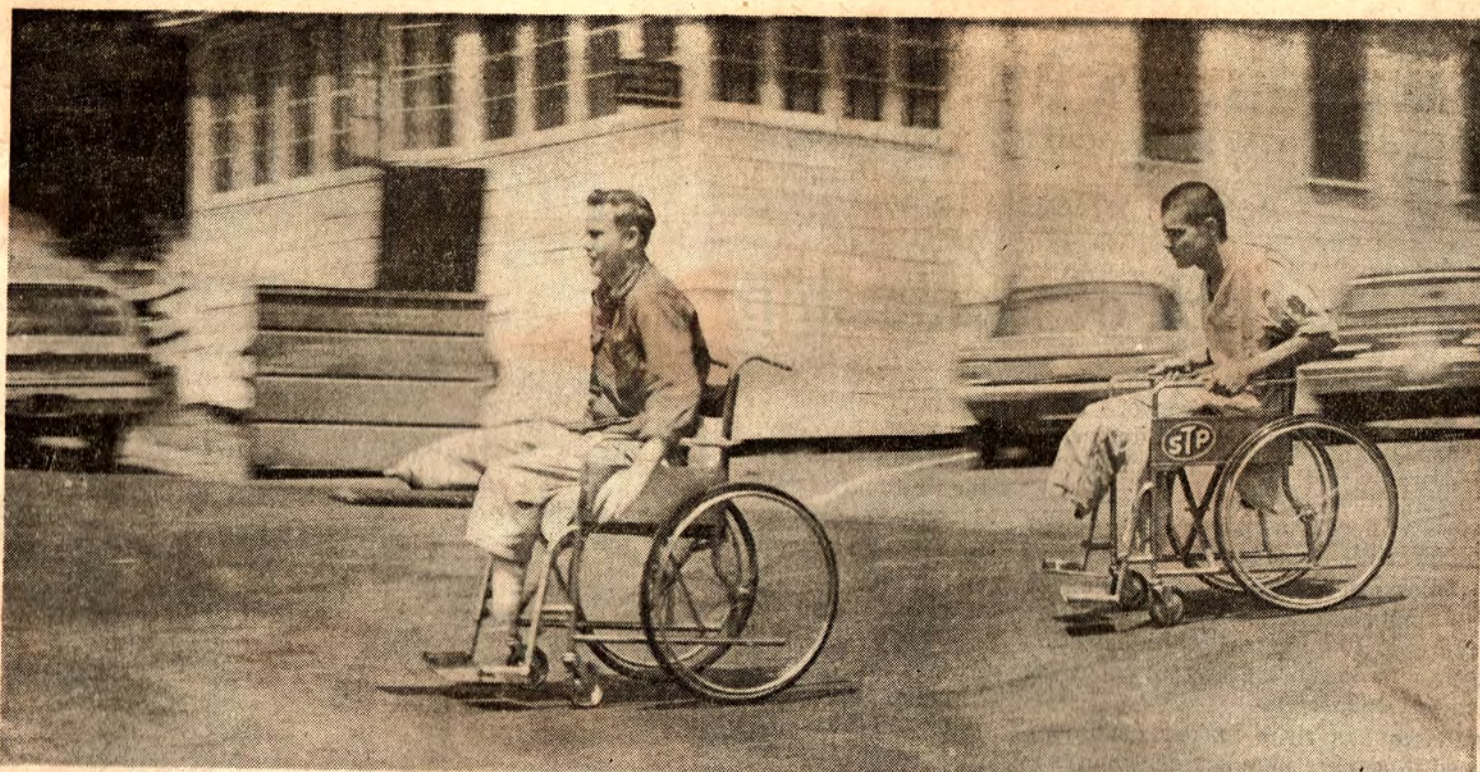
His muscular arms show from under the starched short sleeves of his summer whites and he wears the gold wings of a flight crewman over the left shirt pocket.

Batcheller served as a flight surgeon with a Marine squadron in Vietnam and flew medical evacuation flights with the helicopters.

He knows Marines and the men on the ward like him because, among other reasons, he lets them have a beer ration.

He stops at the bed of 20-year-old Mike Lemut from Racine, Wisconsin. A corpsman has already unwrapped the thick, outside bandages on the stumps of Lemut's legs and Batcheller pulls away the last blood red bandages.

Lemut's legs were blown away in a North Vietnamese attack on his unit. It was the Fourth of July and Mike remembers that when they got the ammunition bunker "it was the biggest



Pfc. Bob Neece (leading) and Cpl. Ray Newman: a race, a crash and "No, I won't marry you."



LT. J. G. DOLLY McADAMS

A blond wig tripped up a patient

fireworks demonstration I'd ever seen."

Now he holds the raw stump of his left leg in the air and Batcheller checks it over.

Mike is intent on seeing what the doctor sees. So he holds a hand mirror at arm's length to inspect it himself.

There is no change in the expression on his face. He and Jack Batcheller view the stump with an equally clinical air.

They discuss his improvement—he still has some minor infection—and then Batcheller moves on to the next man.

Over a cup of coffee in his office down the hall, he remarks later:

"They're a good group of men and their morale is surprisingly high."

"But Lord only knows what's really on their minds sometimes."

## Friday Inspection

Down the ward, work crews are preparing the dreary, wooden building for the Friday inspection.

Beds are pulled out from the walls and the ward is cluttered with their cleaning equipment. Some of the beds are empty, because their occupants have gone down the hall to the Navy Prosthetics Research Laboratory for the business of being fitted and learning to use their new artificial legs.

Others are up in physical therapy taking whirlpool baths or lifting weights to build up the muscles in what remains of their legs.

Ray Newman, a wisecracking corporal with naturally sunken, hollow eyes, and the shortest haircut in the place, wheels up from behind.

"Hi ya, Legs."

Newman is making his morning mail rounds.

He sifts through the pile of letters in his lap and pulls out one.

"Hey, Legs. Do me a favor, will ya? Give this to Hunter."

Ray usually delivers the mail himself, but Fridays are bad because of the cleanup and it's hard to bully a wheelchair through that much clutter.

Newman is one half of a slightly no-

torious pair on the ward known as "Neece and Newman."

Bob Neece rides Newman unmercifully.

"I just don't understand it. How can anybody be so dumb to lose his legs getting hit by a car?"

Newman has been through this before.

"Yeh, yeh. But at least I didn't go walking through some dumb VC trench."

Neece had both legs blown off by a Viet Cong mine.

## Hit by an Auto

Newman spent 21 months in Vietnam and came home only to be run down by a car as he helped a stranded motorist on the freeway.

Neece is something of a rascal.

He is amorously inclined and has proposed at least twice to each of the ward's 11 nurses. He tells each one that it is she and she alone that he loves.

His pitch is said to have worked until that fateful day when Lt. Dolly McAdams, a tall, striking brunette, tripped him up.

She came to work one day in a blonde wig and Neece, failing to recognize her, wheeled over quickly, so the story goes, and started into his spiel.

He proposed but then at that precise moment suddenly recognized her, even with the wig. It was too late. She flew into a mock rage and sternly reminded him that last week he had promised to marry her.

His next setback, the most famous, came the day he and Newman pushed off on their wheelchairs for the ride from the ward down the hill to the prosthetics lab.

They decided to race and near the bottom of the hill Neece lost control of his wheelchair and landed upside down in a hedge.

A pretty young nurse just reporting for service on the ward watched the incident in horror and ran over to help.

But Neece was all right and she relaxed.

"I bet I know who you are," she snapped. "You must be Neece and if you are, no, I won't marry you."

She walked off, leaving a speechless Neece to get himself out of the bushes.

There is an abundance of humor on 76-B and it is good medicine because there is also plenty of pain.

Dick Lee has been on the operating table 10 times since that April day on infamous Hill 881 when a North Vietnamese bullet ripped through his leg.

On this day he leaves for his 11th trip under the knife.

## Close to Home

Lee is lucky. He is close to home and his parents drive down from Carmichael near Sacramento to visit him every week.

Also, he didn't lose his leg. But it will be a long time before he will walk on it again.

The bullet shattered the bone and even today, almost five months later, the flesh of his leg is still ripped open almost to the bone.

Surgeons cut away big pieces of muscle and, at the thigh, his leg has been shrunk by the wound and the repairs to only half its normal size.

Today, Jack Batcheller is doing another skin graft, a relatively minor surgical technique.

Most of the men on 76-B have been through this before and their backs show the long, red, rectangular patches where skin has been stripped for grafts.

Lee is on the operating table, out under the anesthesia and Batcheller is standing over him in a wash-wrinkled green surgical gown.

He works quickly. The dressing on Lee's leg has been unwound and an ugly, deep, long cut is exposed.

The skin for the graft has been run through a special machine and perforated until it can be stretched out like rubber and looks like a lace veil.

Batcheller lays it over the open wound and stitches it in place with the precision of a fine seamstress.

Lee is sent to a recovery room and then back to the ward.

There is no pain until he awakens

and then he is still numbed and dreary from the anesthesia.

Finally, he is awake enough and past the pain to launch into a mock agony for the benefit of Lt. (j.g.) Mary Ann McCarthy, who is another of the nurses chosen for service on the ward for, among other assets, their good looks.

"Oh, please come hold my hand. Oh please."

"Oh, please, it hurts so."

She grabs his hand and he grabs hers and they both grin.

They ignore Hunter who is arguing with enlisted corpsman Dennis Mason. Mason is trying to clean out a shrapnel wound in Hunter's arm.

He has a cotton swab and a bottle of antiseptic solution.

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Hunter is arguing that he should use another solution.

"Some day, if I can only get you squared away, Mason, you might make a number one corpsman."

Their argument over which solution to use goes on in a light vein and finally Collins, another corpsman, comes over to join the fracas.

## 'Dig in There Deep'

"He ain't even touched you yet, Hunter. What you got to do, Mason, is really dig in there deep and twist it around to get that stuff out."

Collins and Mason grin. Hunter throws them both a dirty look.

From two beds down, Sgt. Gene Lackey, a Silver Star winner who lost both legs, yells out to Mason in his Texas drawl.

"Hey, Mason, you better hurry up and get down here because I got gangrene in this."

He holds up the stump of one leg.

"You're going to have to hang on there, Sarge. They don't let me practice my operating until the afternoons."

It goes on and on this way.

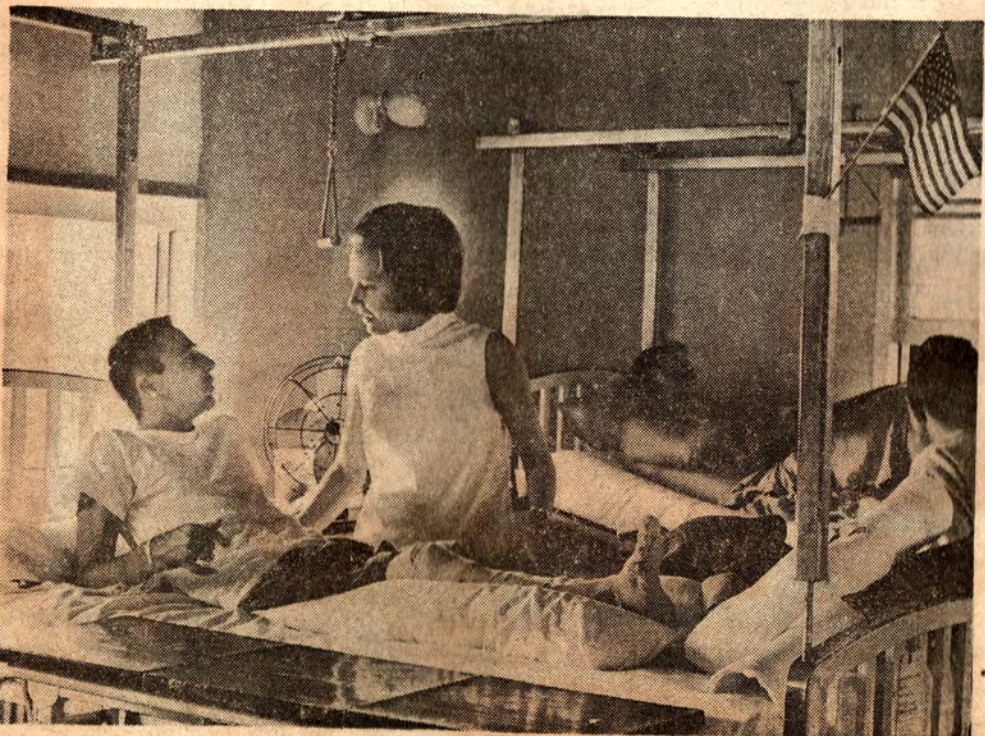
It makes you grin and it makes you laugh.

But then sunset comes again and somehow it's not so funny any more.

TOMORROW: Greg Shupe walks again.



THE WALK OUT IS A LONG ONE For amputees, a new beginning



Cpl. Vernon St. Pierre visits with his wife, Kathleen





Greg Shupe can smile . . . and walk

## Greg Takes The First Step Back

By TOM FLYNN

Tribune Military Writer

"It's gone, isn't it?"

"Oh, my God, it's gone."

The crystal of his watch was splintered and the hands were frozen at 7:30. Greg Shupe was trying to find his foot.

He was on the ground and there was a fine powdery dust settling over him.

Blood squirted out the mangled end

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of his leg and the air was thick with the bitter smell of sulphur.

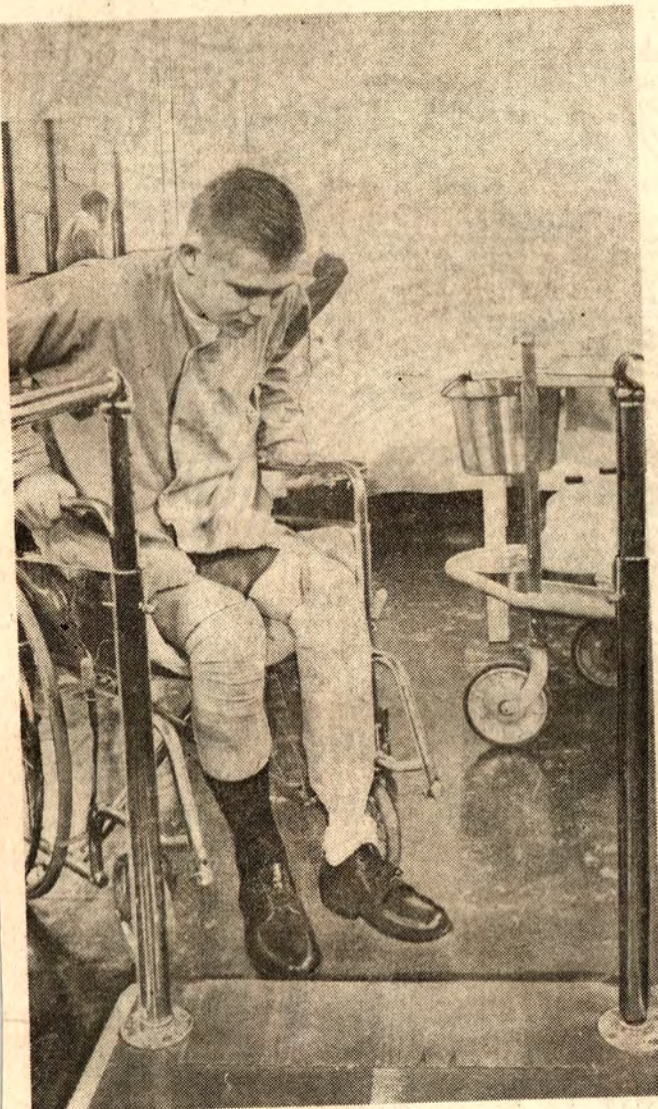
Over and over he said the words.

"It's gone, isn't it?"

He looked up into the faces of his friends.

They murmured words of reassur-

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Greg wheels to the parallel bars . . .



. . . puts weight on the artificial leg . . .



. . . and takes a cautious step

## Greg Gets a New Foot

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ance, and kept working to stop the bleeding.

It didn't matter whether they answered him because Greg Shupe already knew.

He had walked through the bamboo gate with the rest of the patrol and at that moment it was 7:30.

His foot hung suspended for an instant and then it came down in the grass.

He didn't feel the little pin he stepped on.

"It was like a dream.

"All of a sudden I was on the ground. There was no pain. I just looked down and it was gone."

Greg Shupe, a boyish-looking 20-year-old from Southern California, sat up in bed at Oakland Naval Hospital and sucked ice water through a straw.

"It was what I always worried about while I was there.

"Well, it happened, and I've tried to never let myself be disappointed by this.

"Really, I consider myself one of the lucky ones. It could have been a lot worse.

"Most guys who hit one of those are killed."

Greg shifted around in bed, trying to find a more comfortable spot.

The still healing stump of his left leg ached.

It had been a long day.

That morning, a bare 22 days since he lay in the dirt of Vietnam and his own blood alongside the bamboo gate, Greg Shupe stood up on a temporary artificial leg and took his first steps.

It was a moment hard to forget, and a tribute to both Greg Shupe's own

fierce desire to get well and the Navy's philosophy that the quicker an amputee stands up and walks, the quicker he'll get back to a normal life.

If a Marine's leg is "surgically" amputated, the Navy will even try to get

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him up on a temporary leg the next morning.

At Oakland Naval Hospital where the "early ambulation" concept was pioneered, Dr. Frank Golbranson explained the reasoning behind what at first might seem like a needlessly cruel procedure.

"There's both a medical and psychological reason for it.

"The idea is get a man up and out of here as quickly as possible.

"The faster he's up walking, the faster that stump will heal."

The psychological reasoning is perhaps even more interesting.

A man who loses a leg tends to think that he's not normal. That feeling is often reinforced the morning after surgery when the patient discovers he can't get out of bed. That's something he's done every day of his life.

So when it's possible Dr. Golbranson

orders the man up on an artificial leg and gets him walking.

This is the ideal situation. Unfortunately it is a rare Vietnam amputee who can do it.

Most of the Marines who lose limbs in Vietnam have undergone what is called in medical science "traumatic" amputation as opposed to "surgical" amputation.

There is a very big difference between the two.

Surgical amputation is neat. An injured or diseased limb that must be removed is neatly sliced away by a team of surgeons in a sterile operating room.

Complications are rare, and recovery usually is quick.

A traumatic amputation is what happens to a man when he steps on a mine in Vietnam.

It is rarely neat.

His legs are not neatly sliced away. They are ripped off by ragged chunks of fiery hot metal. Dirt and rusty metal and sometimes filthy rice paddy water are rammed into the bleeding stumps, starting an infection that may take months to cure.

Greg Shupe was one of those fortunate exceptions.

His foot was taken off almost surgically, and because it was he was able 22 days later to watch a technician at Oak Knoll fit him with a temporary leg.

The knee of his good leg was tightly bandaged and it was the source of some embarrassment and a slightly bruised ego.

The day before he had lost his balance walking on crutches and fell to the floor in the ward with a loud crash and the clatter of flying crutches.

His buddies had all laughed uproar-



'Hey, that doesn't feel bad at all.'

iously, but only after they saw he was all right.

Now he sat in a wheelchair at the edge of the parallel bars.

He hesitated for just a moment, his face drawn into a serious, half-grimace, and then pulled himself up.

He stepped off quickly, staring straight ahead, and walked to the end of the bars.

He turned and walked back and then stood there and his boyish face cracked into a big grin.

"Hey, that doesn't feel bad at all."

Everyone in the room grinned with him.

Then his grin faded a little.

"You know, it's pretty nice to be able to look down for a change and see two shoes."



# Veterans of Vietnam Win Big Battle Against Humboldt Deer

## Amputees Tote Up 15 Big Bucks In Best Hunt So Far

By AL TOSTADO

"You know, this will be the first time I have ever gone hunting without my hunting boots."

He looked at his buddy when he said this. And they both laughed and you could still hear their sound as they made their way down the hill. They were just starting to take their leave from the Eureka Inn.

They were bound for a range — ranches owned by Roy Fulton, Charles Moore and Tooby and Prior — some 33 miles out on the Kneeland Road where they were to hunt deer over the weekend.

Probably no self-respecting hunter would care to be caught without his hunting boots, but the boots are such an ordinary part of his gear that he hardly gives them a second thought. Donning them and lacing them up just simply goes with it.

Yet, here they were — going hunting without their hunting boots, and that they joked about it broke whatever was left of the ice which had not already been broken.

They are amputees. Some, double amputees—and this was the second year that they have come up from the U.S. Naval Hospital in Oakland for a hunting trip, and this was the third time in two years that the people of Humboldt County have opened their hearts and their land to them.

Last July, it was a fishing trip off Trinidad Head. For men like S-Sgt. Bob Boudreau of Union City, Calif., and Cpl. Michael Carey of Sacramento, it was their second trip.

For men like SA Tom Knox of Albuquerque, N.M., it was their first. They are Navy men and U.S. Marines. But in hunting clothes, you couldn't tell them from the Humboldters.

### Goes Back A Year

It all goes back to a little more than a year ago when Irv Renner, the county's Veterans Service Officer, hit upon the idea of inviting the servicemen veterans of the Vietnam War up from the hospital.

There's no need to report the details as Renner waded through the proper channels to get his idea on the road. The proof lies in this weekend's venture — a year almost to the day — right at World Series time again — since the first, and the fishing trip last summer.

### "I'm Very Lucky"

Like Cpl. Carey said after the first night's hunt Friday as the crew attacked steaks and potatoes under the stars at the Fulton ranchhouse site — "I think I'm very lucky. They sign us up for this trip at the hospital on a rotating basis and here I am again."

Marines and Navy men were flown into the McKinleyville airport shortly before noon Friday and it was on to a seafood lunch at Lazio's. From there to the Inn to change into hunting garb and then the ride to the Fulton place.

The ride over the Kneeland Road was old stuff to the drivers and helpers that Sheriff Gene Cox had lined up, but it wasn't anything like the flatlands of Roy Carr's Amarillo, Tex., nor that of Lance Cpl. Mike Sawtelle's Clearlake, Iowa.

Knox allowed that he hadn't done much deer hunting back home. Besides one has to drive 200 miles from his home town to the nearest hunting range. Then, maybe the deer aren't as large as the ones here.

There were 100 persons at the ranch — 18 in the servicemen's contingent, and all the rest were neighbors and friends and the people Sheriff Cox had lined up to help over the weekend.

### 'Give Me Some Men'

The Sheriff's Mounted and Marine Poses like Jack Whelan, George Fini, Ellis Smith, Lloyd Smith, Herb Frahmman, Mickey Wahlund, Chuck Craddock, Mario Sicchi, Gene Baldwin, Dr. Harold Lowenthal.

Bob Wright, Bob Fraser, Don Gould, P. M. Camp, Lowell Peterson, Lance Lowry, Larry Boll-

mann, Art Ford, Barney Gallagher, Under Sheriff Bob Bollmann, Phil Arrington and Bob Bloyd.

And it was an exercise in logistics to rival any military maneuver as the California National Guard Engineers unit here provided one of its mobile field kitchens — under the 'command' of head chef "Blackie" Bears.

Cox secured 30 cots and 90 blankets and the Humboldters turned one of the Fulton barns into a dormitory for the overnight stay. After the steak feed, Roy Fulton himself got a huge bonfire going and Arrington and Mr. and Mrs. Corky Dawson un-

cased their guitars. Automobile dealers donated vehicles, meat companies sent the steaks, bakeries sent the bread and cookies and cake, soft drink bottlers provided pop and the Tavern Owners' Association sent the stuff to take the nip out of the cold night and early morning air.

Kiwanis and Rotary clubs sent cash, Andy and Buck's sent cigars and cigarettes and Hertz Rentals chipped in with a truck to haul the whole works up there.

### About Face!

It was a funfest from start to finish.

As they left the hotel, the buddies going hunting sans boots proved that there is still nothing like a pretty girl to turn a man's head. Two young lovelies ankled by as they left the hotel. Did you ever see an about face in a wheelchair?

This second annual hunt was an occasion indeed. James J. Johnson, State Director of Veterans Affairs, came along. His first trip — but it sure won't be his last.

He told of who some of these men have, by this one Humboldt show of caring and appreciation, been taken out of their complete withdrawal.

Johnson said he will work to see if other counties and other communities in this state can be persuaded to engage in an effort similar to this and he said they will be encouraged to take their cues from Renner who has "ironed out the bugs."

### Didn't Want To Hunt

Johnson chided his Marines for their sub-par marksmanship. "They took about 20 shots at one buck and six at another before they hit one."

Cpl. Paul Madero of Los Angeles was one of the successful ones. He didn't want to make the trip in the first place, and when he got there, he was a little hesitant about hunting.

He said he wouldn't be able to hit one anyway since he's left-handed. And he was partially right. He took five or six shots at his buck, then switched to rightie and bagged it with the first round.

Cpl. Carey edged Madero in marksmanship. He took only four shots before he bagged his. And he's naturally right handed.

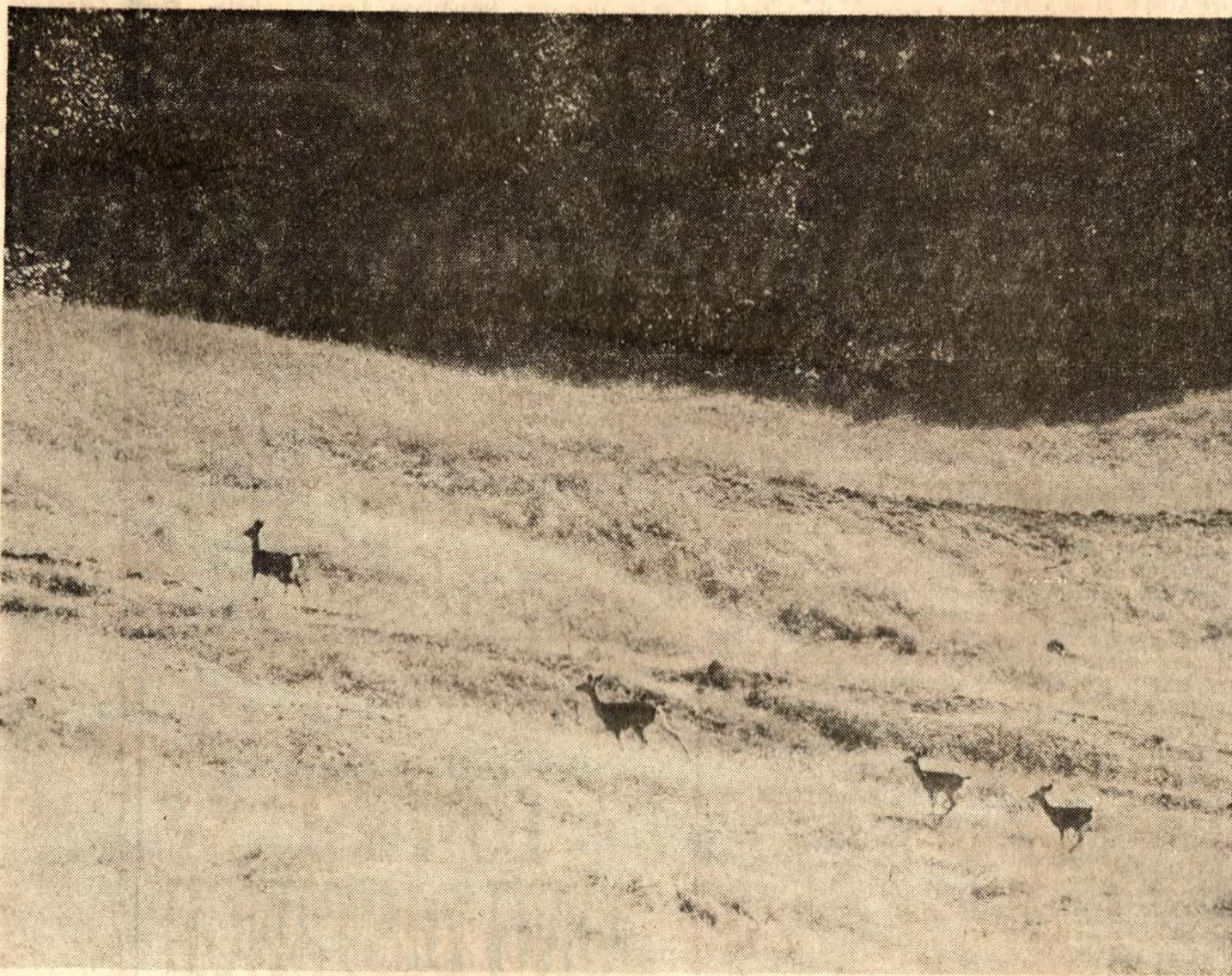
And so it went also for S-Sgt. Norbert Olbrantz of Menasha, Wisc.; Cpl. Raymond Newman of Franklin Square, N.Y., S-Sgt. Joseph Peczel of Oceanside, Calif., AN Charles Price of Norwalk, Calif., S-Sgt. James Shaw of Oceanside, SWE2 Roy Carr of Amarillo, Tex., 1-Sgt. William Semons, Jr., of Oakland, and Cpl. R. Neese of Carlsbad, N.M. And with them came hospital staffers HM2 Kenneth Umland, HM2 Marvin Cline, HM2 Donald Groom and HMC Bobby Gilchrist and photographer HMI J. Ables.

Four deer were bagged during the late afternoon of the first day of the weekend Friday. When we left them, there was still the whole of Saturday to go and prospects were high for a great day.

### Bag Totals 15

And as things turned out, the second day of the hunt brought the total of deer bagged by the 18 stout-hearted men was brought to 15 by early afternoon. It was 1:30 p.m. when the first wave of tired but happy hunters started back for Eureka and the Inn.

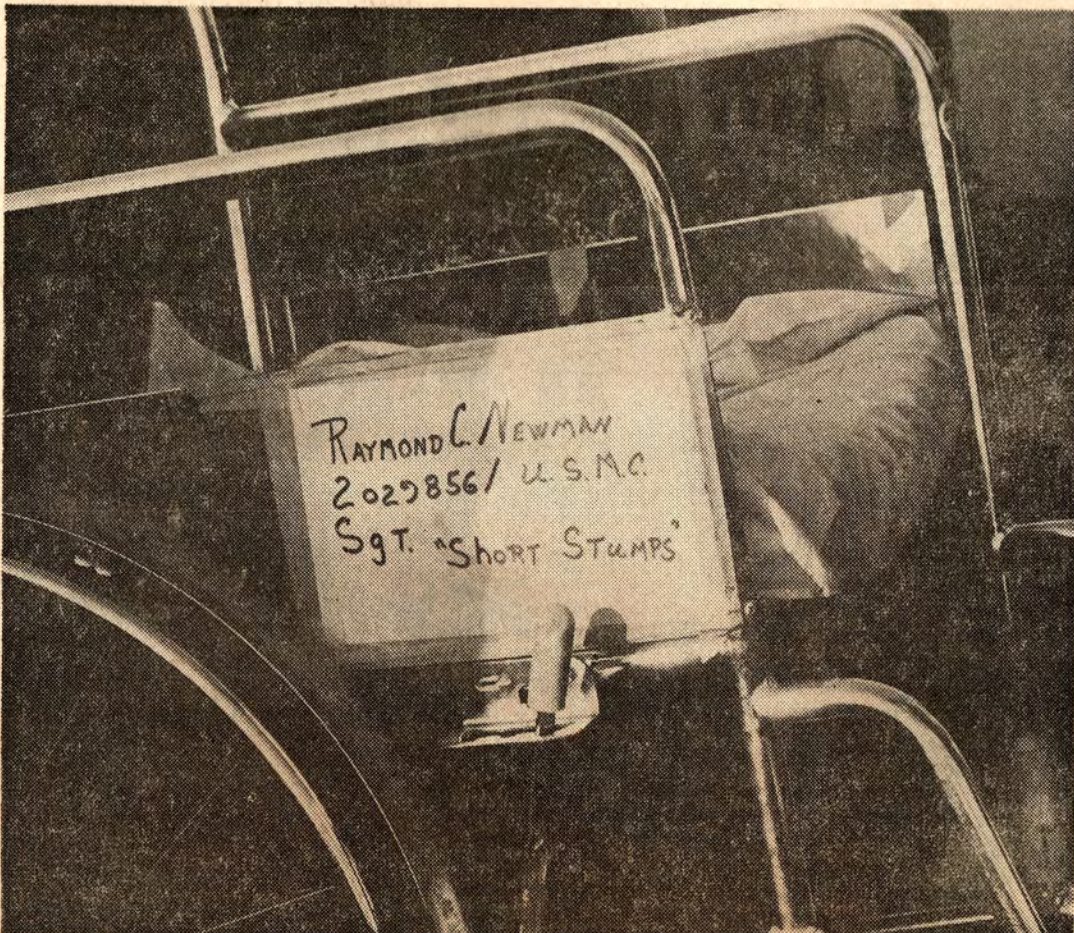
Several stayed on a few hours



TWO DOES AND two fawns dash across the clearing and head for the cover of the woods.



AND ON THE ROAD above veteran hunters caution a veteran serviceman to get a good look at the head and sees horns.



"YOU KNOW, this will be the first time I have ever gone hunting without my hunting boots."

longer to make the trip out in the back of pickup trucks with four-wheel drive, chauffeured by members of Sheriff Cox's fine band.

They were tied in, wheelchairs and all, and were braced with padding and sandbags and none complained about the jostling around while riding over over the rough terrain.

And when they reached a likely hunting spot, they were taken out of the trucks and placed on stands while their helpers dogged out the bucks.

### Two For Boudreau

It went a little better yesterday as they bagged 11 to go with the four they had bagged the night before — led by Sgt. Boudreau who shot two, which was cause enough for tall tales of his marksmanship back at the main camp.

Thus, the indomitable Boudreau emerges as the number one outdoorsman of Oak Knoll — what with the fish stories he had left over from last July.

But it also went well for Newman, Peczel, Price, Knox, Carr, Sawtelle, Umland, Cline and Neese who each bagged a buck — and maybe there will be some horns for some trophy rooms.



# ISLAM CIRCUS THE GREATEST



U. S. Army photo

Islam Noble Colonel Ray Luckel presenting circus tickets to convalescing veteran at the U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland.



NAVAL HOSPITAL  
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA 94627

IN REPLY REFER TO  
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LTCOL Raymond Luckel, USMC, Ret.  
2945 - 26th Avenue  
San Francisco, California 94116

Dear Colonel Luckel:

Please accept our belated but nonetheless sincere thanks for the 40 Shrine Circus tickets you presented in behalf of the Islam Rod and Gun Club for the use of our patients and staff. Ensign Romine, our Special Services Officer, tells me that every ticket was taken several days in advance of the show. I am sure the well-known Polak Bros. Circus was a great treat for all who attended and that the pleasure of seeing it was enhanced by the knowledge that it benefits a worthy cause.

Thank you again for your gift and the kind thought that prompted it.

Sincerely,

*[Signature]*  
Rear Admiral, MC, U. S. Navy  
Commanding Officer



CAPT. DAVID B. RULON  
New executive officer



CAPT. DEAN SCHUFELDT  
Leaves for Tennessee

## Naval Hospital Command Shifts

A change of command in the second highest post at Oakland Naval Hospital takes place today, when Capt. David B. Rulon takes over the post of executive officer from Capt. Dean Schufeldt.

Captain Rulon has been chief of the laboratory service at the hospital for the past seven years. He received his MD degree from Duke University Medical School in 1944, receiving a commission in the Navy Medical Corps at the same time. On completion of his internship at Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass., he was ordered to Fleet Hospital 114 in the Philippines, arriving at the time of the signing of the articles of surrender by the Japanese.

He engaged in private prac-

tice for six years but was ordered back to active service in 1952. He has been a specialist in pathology at the Philadelphia Naval Hospital and chief of the laboratory service at the Key West, Fla., Naval Hospital. He is a fellow of the American College of Pathology.

Captain Schufeldt, who has been executive officer at Oak Knoll for the past year, is leaving to take command of the Memphis, Tenn., Naval Hospital.

A veteran of 24 years in the Navy Medical Corps, he spent two years as a flight surgeon in the Pacific and was chief of surgery at the Jacksonville, Fla., Naval Hospital before coming to Oakland. He is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons.



Guy Wright

## Secondhand Pen

Moving slowly, they walked down the corridor to the mayor's inner office. Frank Curley went first, hardly using his cane.

Then came First Sgt. Bill Semons, on crutches. Then Airman Charles Ray Price. Or maybe Gunner Sgt. Joe Peczelis was next; the order doesn't matter. Pete Pulis was in the group, too, recently a lance corporal, now a civilian first class.

There were a dozen or so other people — well-dressed women, VIPs, military officers dripping gold braid.

But the five I've named were the important ones, because they limped.

Four of the five limped because they had left part of themselves behind in Vietnam. Sergeants Semons and Peczelis were wounded in the fighting at the Demilitarized Zone.

Airman Price was rushing forward with a fire hose on the blazing U.S.S. Forrestal when a bomb blew up in his face.

Regular readers of this column already know what happened to Pete Pulis when that gust of wind caught the helicopter with him dangling from the recovery rope.

The fifth man, Frank Curley, drew his unlucky number half a world and a half a century away — in France in World War I.

WITH ALL the talk these days about the generation gap, you might expect the remoteness of Curley's war to isolate him from the young veterans of Vietnam, but it didn't turn out that way. Blood is thicker than water, especially blood shed in battle.

But I'm forgetting to tell you what they were doing in the mayor's office. They had come to watch the mayor give Frank Curley a secondhand fountain pen.

"From our mutual friend," Mayor Shelley explained.

He meant from the President of the United States.

And "mutual friend" was no exaggeration. Back in the days when Jack Shelley and Lyndon Johnson were fellow Congressmen, Frank Curley had twisted their arms on more than one occasion — twisted their arms and won their respect and friendship.

For when Curley twisted arms, it was never for himself, always for some other disabled veteran.

It started in that long ago war when he got sore at the way a blinded buddy was being treated in the military hospital where they both were patients. Curley got out of bed and led his friend into the hospital director's office, a case of the half-blind leading the blind, for Curley had lost an eye himself.

He got that fellow's troubles straightened out, and he has been doing the same for others ever since — for years as service officer of the Disabled American Veterans and, since his retirement, as plain Frank Curley, battler of red tape.

COUNTLESS VETERANS of both World Wars, Korea and now Vietnam owe him a debt of gratitude. And if Congress ever passes the Pete Pulis Bill — the one to bridge the financial gap when a disabled veteran is first discharged — a large chunk of the credit will go to Frank Curley.

But about that secondhand fountain pen. It has been used only once, by President Johnson, to sign a bill that will give amputee veterans of Vietnam \$1600 toward a specially equipped auto.

Curley worked long and hard for that bill, twisting arms, making friends, once shaming a senator who complained about the cost.

So the President sent Curley the pen, because he damned well deserved it.

SEATTLE P.I.



Mr. and Mrs. Martin Overmyer of Renton inspected the Purple Heart and Silver Star medals awarded to their son, Melvin, today for gallantry in action in Vietnam.—Times staff photo by Larry Dion.

## Wounded Hero Honored

By DON HANNULA

Melvin Overmyer, 22, is lucky to be alive. He was shot in the head by a Viet-Cong he could see zeroing in on him in a May 25 battle near Con Thien, Vietnam.

Overmyer, a Navy hospital corpsman 3rd class attached to the 3rd Marine Division, was shot after waging a bold gamble to aid his platoon commander, who was wounded and lay in an open area about 10 yards from an enemy bunker.

OVERMYER WAS BEHIND SAFE COVER about 100 yards away. "I looked and I had to go," he said today in the Veterans Administration Hospital here.

He ran through intense fire to the platoon commander's side and began treating his wounds.

Overmyer continued to render aid even after being wounded, himself, by an enemy grenade explosion. Then he suffered the serious head wound and was evacuated.

Seated in a wheel chair in the V. A. Hospital, Overmyer, a 1963 Renton High School graduate, was awarded the Purple Heart and Silver Star today for his gallantry.

Capt. Lloyd F. Cooper, Sand Point Naval

Air Station commander, presented the awards.

THE CORPSMAN'S PARENTS, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Overmyer, 8814 104th Ave. S. E., were at their son's side at the ceremonies.

Cooper read a citation which said in part:

"By his courage, exceptional professional skill and selfless devotion to duty in the face of extreme personal danger, Petty Officer Overmyer upheld the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and of the United States Naval Service."

Overmyer only knew the man he risked his life to save as "Lieutenant McGill." He does not know if the lieutenant lived, but he added: "I hope so."

The serious wound in the left side of Overmyer's head caused brain damage and paralysis of his right side.

IT HAS NOT BEEN DETERMINED how long full recovery will take. He is undergoing physical and vocational rehabilitation. When the rehabilitation is completed, Overmyer, eligible for education assistance under the G. I. Bill, hopes to go to college—possibly to study medicine.



HAND-MADE FOR VETERANS — Bob Augenstein of Fresno admires hand-made afghan given to him by (from right) Mrs. J. K. McCall and Mrs. Neal Giannini while nurse Susan Schroder

looks on. The ladies of the Los Angeles County Republican Women's Club presented these knitted woolen shawls to patients Saturday at the Oakland Naval Hospital.



## JANGO Stars Are Awarded

High school and college girls who have volunteered many hours of work at Oakland Naval Hospital were honored Sunday at a tea at the hospital officers club.

A JANGO 1000-hour star, highest honor given by the nationwide Junior Army Navy Guild Organization, was awarded to Jo Carol Ellis by



JO CAROL ELLIS.  
... JANGO award

Rear Adm. Harold J. Cokely, commanding officer of the hospital.

Jo Carol, who will be 21 next month, served as president of the JANGO Guilds at both Oakland and San Diego naval hospitals.

Girls in JANGO are between 14 and 21, and all are daughters of commissioned officers in the armed forces.

Also honored was Margaret Mazzarella, named 1967 JANGO of the year on the basis of recommendations from nurses in wards, where she has served since being capped last May.

Roberta Parsons headed a class of 15 girls capped by Cmdr. Romaine Mentzer, chief of the hospital's nursing service.

Also capped were Mary Boyd, Teresa Bonnett, Genell Franklin, Lynn Georgakis, Sandra Golish, Melanie Haslin, Cathi Jackson, Janis Lee, Kelly Luker, Candice and Karen Mahan, Harriet Murphy, Victoria Potter and Claudia Robinson.

Earlier graduates honored were Patricia Nachin and Lynn Tiffany, 500 hour chevrons; Barbara Poer, 300 hours, and Carol Gibson, 200 hours.



CMDR. ROMAINE MENTZER, ROBERTA PARSONS  
... Roberta headed her class of new volunteers

## World of Women

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**MIGHTY (HUNGRY) HUNTERS** — Marine Cpl. Paul Madero, his wife, Virginia and daughter Brigitte, 2, are served barbecued venison Saturday at the Oakland Naval Hospital. Forking out the meat is Hayward Mayor Jack Smith. Madera is one of a party of amputees from the hospital which recently bagged 12 deer in a hunt in Humboldt County.

The Daily Review, Hayward, California



Daily Review Photo by Al Silva

SGT. RAYMOND C. NEWMAN ROLLS UP FOR DEERBURGER AT BARBECUE  
Johnnie White, Left, and Hayward Mayor John K. Smith Serve As Chefs

## A Special Kind Of Hunt For Some Special Guys

By KAREN HOLZMIESTER

It was their bag and they spread the wealth.

Eighteen hunters, all amputee veterans of Vietnam now being treated at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland, went hunting two weeks ago, bagged 15 deer and staged a giant barbecue on the hospital grounds yesterday for about 200 visiting dignitaries and guests.

Skies were grey but spirits were bright at the event.

**THE VETERANS** Administration arranged the hunting trip in cooperation with Humboldt County officials. This is the second year the event has taken place.

Humboldt County Sheriff Gene Cox said, "We strapped the hunters into four-wheel drive pick-ups, made them secure with sandbags and gave them rifles. They also tried skeet shooting - nothing stops these boys."

"Sergeant Ray Newman, of New York, a double-leg amputee, said it was a good trip. He didn't get his deer."

**"WE REALLY** appreciated these people going out of their way in taking us up there and I'm looking forward to another trip, a fishing trip they've promised us for next July."

When the venison from the hunt arrived at the hospital the cooks didn't know how to

handle it. They called for assistance. Johnnie White, owner of the Hall of the Horns Restaurant in Hayward, was asked for a recipe. He did the cooks one better and took over, with the cooperation of the Hayward Chamber of Commerce, plans for yesterday's barbecue.

Along with the meat yesterday, the hospital patients, their families and guests enjoyed rolls, salad, beans, candy, soft drinks and beer.

**PLEDGES OF** Cal State's Gamma Delta Epsilon sorority, serving and chatting with the men, decided they'd like to make "working with" the men a regular project.

Hayward's Mayor John K. Smith was playing chef and he said he heard no complaints.

Among those coming early to decorate in combined Halloween-Thanksgiving theme were the San Leandro Sunshine Girls and Hayward's Loveliest.

Providing entertainment were local groups The Silver Cords, Stan and the Casuals and from San Francisco, members of the Fantastics troupe and the Purple Onion 2.

Rear Admiral E. P. Irons, commanding officer of the hospital, called the civilian response "fantastic" and commented especially on the "attitude of students - they're making a fine effort."

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**NEW BOSS TAKES OVER**—Rear Adm. Edward P. Irons (right) and the man he succeeds, Rear Adm. Harold J. Cokely, take part in a change-of-command ceremony Saturday at the Oakland Naval Hospital. Admiral Cokely, who is retiring, received the Surgeon General's Certificate of Merit.

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ADMIRAL H. J. COKELY  
Hospital commandant

## Rear Admiral Cokely Retires

Rear Admiral Harold J. Cokely, commandant for nearly three years of the Oakland Navy Hospital, retired with customary naval pomp yesterday after 36 years in the Navy Medical Corps.

He was relieved by Rear Admiral Edward P. Irons, who arrived this week from Washington, D.C., where he has been Inspector General for the Navy's Bureau of Medicine and Surgery for the past two years.

Cokely came from a similar post in San Diego in December, 1964, and a year later presided at the ground-breaking ceremonies for the new \$14.5 million hospital now nearly completed.

During his stint in Oakland he has seen the hospital's daily patient load increase from 650 to over 1000 with the influx of servicemen from Vietnam.

The 61-year-old Navy doctor from Pickering, Mo., a specialist in urology, has served with the Pacific Fleet and has commanded three other Navy hospitals.





## Good Will to Men

### The A's Have It

For the wounded back from Vietnam "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men" is never early. Some veterans at Oak Knoll Hospital in Oakland were delighted yesterday when visited by members of the Athletics, the area's new Big League team. Cpl. Robert Augenstein, left, is cheered by, from left, Mike Hershberger, John Donaldson, Ernie Fazio, and Jim Gosger. Right, Gosger and Fazio sign autographs for Lance Cpl. Chris Gompert and Cpl. Kent MacDonald.

—Examiner photos by Matt Southard



## Nurses Here Aid Vietnam Orphans



Lieutenants (jg) Barbara Furrow (left), Sharon Kosch with toys for Viet orphans

Oakland Naval Hospital nurses have "adopted" a crude, ill-equipped orphanage in Chu Lai, Vietnam.

The orphanage was recently discovered by Lt. William F. Kosch, a former Oakland Naval Hospital doctor now on duty in Vietnam with the 1st Marine Division.

Lt. Kosch and medical corpsmen from his division found the overcrowded orphan's home staffed by a lone, aging priest. Children of all ages with thin, emaciated bodies and blank expressions

were found crowded in unsanitary quarters.

Lt. Kosch wrote recently: "Many doctors, myself included, have seen the need here to wage a war without guns. That is, the war against disease, hunger, ignorance and human suffering and misery."

His wife, Sharon, also a Navy lieutenant and a nurse at Oakland Naval Hospital, took up the gauntlet in behalf of the Vietnamese orphans. She is now official coordinator of the "William F. Kosch Orphanage Fund."

The orphans are in urgent need of clothing of all child sizes, non-perishable foods, soap, medical and pharmaceutical supplies and toys.

Lt. Kosch and corpsmen under his command have set a Christmas celebration high on their list of priorities for the orphans. They have requested toys, picture books and other things to guarantee a pleasant Christmas for the children.

Supplies and equipment collected here appear to qualify for transportation overseas under the Navy's "Operation Handclasp"—a program that

permits transportation of goods under programs originated by the Navy.

Citizens wishing to contribute clothing or other supplies should take them to the Oakland Naval Hospital main gate where a sentry will direct them to the Hospital Chapel, where gifts for Vietnam are being kept temporarily.

The Parker Elementary School Parent-Teacher Association will make a booth available at its Halloween party Saturday for those who would like to donate clothing

or other gifts to the drive. The party will be held at the school, 7929 Ney Ave., from noon to 4 p.m.

Response to the drive so far has indicated that storage space for supplies received will be a problem. Lt. Sharon Kosch requests that those having storage facilities contact her at the hospital.

### Military Construction Funds Approved

Millions of dollars of military construction at Northern California bases were approved yesterday in a \$2.1 billion military construction appropriation approved by the House Appropriations Committee in Washington.

Among the Northern California projects:

Naval Weapons Station, Concord, \$20,079,000; Fort Ord, \$27,329,000; Naval Shipyard, San Francisco, \$4,693,000; Wether Air Force Base, Sacramento, \$7,005,000; McClellan Air Force Base, Sacramento, \$4,878,000; Sunnyvale Satellite Tracking Center, \$4 million; Travis Air Force Base, Fairfield, \$6,047,000; Vandenberg Air Force Base, Lompoc, \$16,012,000; Naval Air Station, Lemoore, \$5,555,000; Naval Hospital, Oakland, \$1,436,000, and Letterman General Hospital, \$750,000.





William Daniels, far right, holds one of the pheasants he killed during a special hunt for Viet Nam veterans last week at Cache Slough. Joe Dawson, center, Ray Sutton, and their dogs, helped the 16 young men enjoy the day's fun.

## Pheasant Hunt For Vietnam Amputees

How do you start a story like this one, with 16 young men hunting, Vietnam or maybe a sponsoring Legion Post?

Well, Vietnam seems like the best place to start. Within the past year or so 16 young men were fighting in a war, each with his own outfit in a jungle unlike any the boys had seen at home.

Last Friday these veterans picked up guns again but this time for a different reason. They were being treated to a special pheasant hunt at the

Cache Slough hunting club southeast of Dixon. These young men were all in their early 20's, some were younger, but they all looked older. They all had something else in common besides serving in the current war, most of them were Marines, and all of them had been injured. At least a fourth of the group were amputees and the others, although less seriously injured, were scarred on maimed for life.

The East Oakland Post 471 of the American Legion put on the annual affair for the third time, and for the third time they showed a group of veterans another day in their lives they will long remember.

Altogether the 16 shooters downed about 75 birds, had a barbecued meal fit for a king and all of the refreshments they wanted.

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PAGE 10 — THE DIXON (CALIFORNIA) TRIBUNE — THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1967



Sgt. Bob Davis holds one of the birds he "blasted" during the pheasant hunt at Cache Slough last Friday. Sgt. Davis lost both legs and an arm in Viet Nam and was one man who "really enjoyed this day." The two veterans behind Sgt. Davis are also from the Oakland Naval Hospital and are veterans of the Viet Nam war.

## Pheasant Hunt...

(Continued From Page 1)

Joe Dawson from Dixon took his bird dog to the affair and helped out along with Ray Sutton, manager, of Cache Slough.

One Marine, Sgt. Rob Davis, 24, of Orange County was one member of the party who appeared to be most seriously injured. He lost both legs and an arm last March when leading a squad of men through the jungle and stepped on a 70 millimeter mortar shell. The young man is lucky to be alive and by his attitude shows he will adjust to his new-found situation as best he can.

Sgt. Davis and the group from the Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland were questioned by reporters and he repeatedly came through with concrete statements of current affairs dealing with the war.

In the early morning this young man impressed a game warden issuing hunting licenses to the group with his courage. The warden remarked, "That kid sure has guts. I asked him how tall he was and he said 'six foot'. Then he second-guessed himself and said 'I was six foot' and then corrected himself again and said, 'by golly I guess I'm still six foot'."

When being questioned about his own case Sgt. Davis said he credited the medical evacuation teams with saving his life and talked about the speed and efficiency that brought him from the battlefields to the United States in a short time.

When asked about the peace movement and how the troops overseas feel about it, Sgt. Davis said, "It bothers them." When he was asked what soldiers would like to do about the protesters he replied, "We keep rooting for the government to send in the Marines to straighten out the problem." He said recently when the armed forces were called into action the fellows at the hospital had a little celebration.

Davis described the pheasant hunt as "a great thing for all of us."

Another individual who didn't receive as much attention showed equal determination when it came to adjusting to his new situation. He was Corp. William Daniels, 23, also of ward 74-A at the Naval Hospital. Corp. Davis was injured in June and lost both arms and part of his foot. He chose a single barrel shotgun for the day's hunt and refused to ride to the fields for the hunt. He walked behind the dogs and made several great shots from the hip, using only the clamps where his hands

once were to hold and fire the gun. The Tribune reporter gave assistance in reloading but that was all the help he would take.

Corp. Daniels said, "I've learned to do a lot for myself and I have a lot more to learn; I can probably do almost everything you can do right now."

There are 14 stories similar to these two who were in the Dixon area to hunt. Aside from these 16 men there are thousands who have similar problems but with the understanding attitudes and willingness to learn and adapt, many of these men will lead an almost normal life.

The American Legion was happy as the day came to an end, the boys seemed bright and cheery, but one couldn't help think of the lonely nights ahead for these brave young men and the full lifetime of adjustments just starting.

It leaves one with mixed emotions about war, policy, death and injury, but if these boys can adjust with their problems, shouldn't everyone be able to?

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HC3 ROBERT WUNNENBERG AND CHECKS Allen Strutz and Mary Valle begin campaign

## Veterans Hospital Yule Drive Starts

The 44th annual campaign of the Veterans Hospitals Christmas Committee was launched this week when representatives of service, veteran, fraternal and church organizations contributed \$440.

For the past 43 years the committee concerned itself with the men and women confined to the Oakland Naval Hospital and the Veterans Administration Hospitals over the Christmas holidays.

Money raised in the campaign is used to decorate the hospitals for the holidays, buy a personal gift for each patient, and a gala entertainment show.

Goal for this year's campaign is \$20,450. This is \$2,000 more than last year.

Allen F. Strutz, committee president, notes that not one cent of the money contributed

to the drives goes to salaries or office overhead. All services are donated by the hundreds of community spirited individuals and organizations.

Special guest at the kick-off meeting was Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Robert Wunnenberg, 23, holder of a Bronze Star for bravery. He lost both legs in a land mine explosion in Vietnam.

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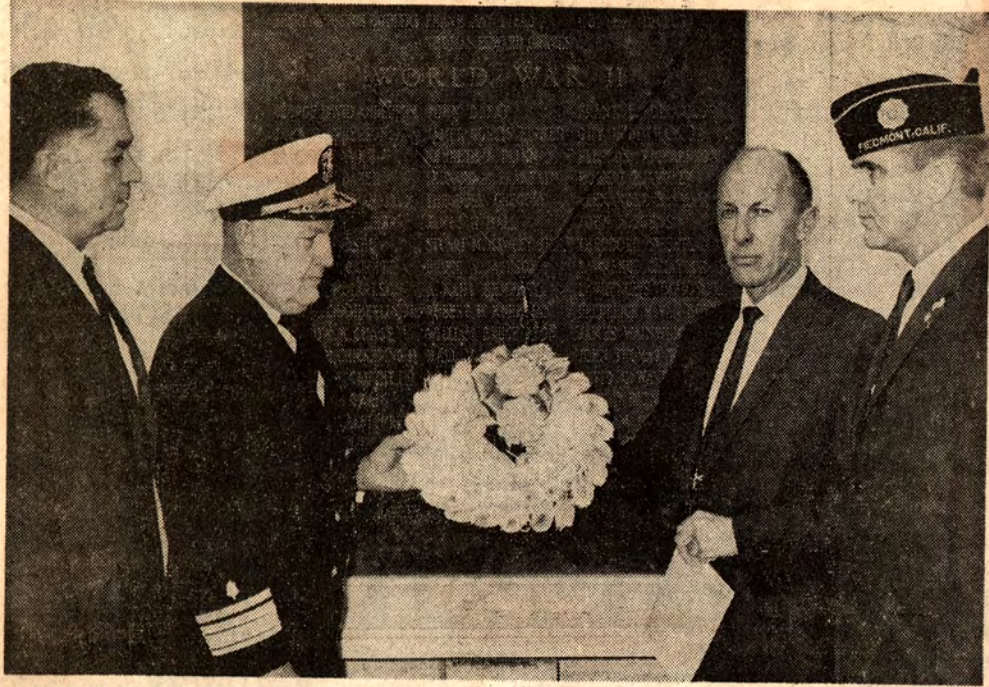
## ACCMA Meets at Oak Knoll



The Oak Knoll tradition was honored again this September when physicians at the base were the hosts to the members of the Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association for an evening that included a scientific program, typically Navy potent but economical cocktails and a hearty roast beef dinner cut from the Prime right before your very eyes.

Shown above during the evening's events are Captain David B. Rulon, MC, USN, Chief, Laboratory Service, who spoke on "Frozen Blood Preparation"; Frederick W. Ackerman, MD, ACCMA President; Captain Dean Schufeldt, MC, USN, Acting Commanding Officer of the Base; and Stanley R. Truman, MD, Presidentelect of the ACCMA.





**TIME FOR REMEMBERING** — The servicemen who did not return from World Wars I and II were commemorated Veterans Day at the Veterans Memorial Building in Piedmont. Placing a wreath in front of the Honor Roll are (from left) Dr. H. Dean Hoskins, mayor of Piedmont; Adm E. P. Irons, John Reading, mayor of Oakland, and Ronald Braaton, commander of Piedmont Post 514, American Legion.

**AFGHANS** for amputees by Marin knitters the Mmes, Harry L. Wallace, left, Malcolm Powell, Matt A. Graham (chairman), Carl Tepp.



**They Also**

## Serve Who Sit and Knit

By MILDRED HAMILTON

In World War I Mildred Graham knit helmets for aviators. In World War II she was chairman of a church unit that clicked out sweaters on an assembly line basis. Now those needles are flashing again. Afghans for the amputees of Vietnam.

The indomitable Marin County grandmother has stacked up "five or six" in her latest project and she's seeking knitters, needles, yarn to help.

Now a chipper 75 and recently named Marin Senior Citizen of the Year, Mrs. Graham was just appointed afghan chairman of the Marin Federated Republican Women, the volunteer group coordinating the knitting.

"We are seeking and receiving help from any individuals or groups and I want to stress that this is strictly a non-partisan affair," said the snow-haired knitter whose keen blue eyes now count the stitches through bifocals.

The project started this summer when officials at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland reported a call for brightly hued afghans for the dual duty of warm lap robes and as a psychological support to cover new artificial limbs of war wounded. "Security blankets," one aide said of the vivid knit covers.

ghans have been completed, collected and presented to the hospital.

Requirements are simple. Three feet by four in size. Of four-ply wool in bright colors. "The brighter the better. And please no khaki or navy yarns," said Mrs. Charles G. Williams, president of the Marin Republican unit.

The need is never filled as the patient load increases. Other chapters of the women's organization throughout the state are working with military hospitals in their areas.

The Marin women this week widened their appeal. Signs went up in supermarkets in the Mill Valley area seeking donations of new yarns — six and one-half skeins of four-ply wool yarn — scrap yarn. Or cash.

The Mill Valley Fire House is the clearing house for donations, and several merchants in Mill Valley are also helping with collections.

"More knitters also are needed," added Mrs. Graham, who called afghan-making something that can be picked up any time for a quick ses-

sion of knitting or crocheting. She fills in her spare time — after running her San Anselmo home, serving as president of the Senior Citizen Advisory Board, helping its Needlework Guild make clothes for the Sonoma State Home — recruiting knitters, of shapes, sizes, parties, or sex.

One of her most enthusiastic helpers in an 84-year-old business man who knits to relax from the office tensions. "He won't permit his name to be used but he's a great inspiration. He learned during World War II when he had two sons in service. Then he didn't touch it until he heard about the Vietnam project. 'The boys need help again,' he said and started knitting."

Anyone who wants to aid the Afghans for Amputees program can contact Mrs. Graham at 68 Scenic Ave., San Anselmo, 453-7651.



**YARN HELD** by Nan Hepp frames Letha Wallace, a veteran volunteer of the team.

—Examiner photos by Sid Tate

## The Maligned Parent

By JAN SILVERMAN

Parents are running too scared, says Dr. Clark E. Vincent of Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, N.C.

It's about time we stop insisting that parents listen to their children; he suggests that children listen to their parents for a change.

Here for a symposium on family life education at Oakland Naval Hospital last week, Dr. Vincent feels that the pendulum of childrearing theory has swung too far.

IT IS a good thing that we have departed from the era when "children should be seen and not heard," but now he questions whether or not we have gone too far in the other direction.

"If youth should be heard in adult circles—all the way up to Washington—then maybe college students should be taught to listen to high school students; maybe senior management should listen to junior management; maybe full professors should listen to instructors," says Dr. Vincent, a full professor of sociology at Wake Forest and head of its Behavioral Sciences Center.

"If we take a good look at this trend," says Dr. Vincent, "we can see that some of this is sheer nonsense."

"We've had enough books and lectures and articles advising parents to understand their children. We need a few

telling children to understand their parents."

"We had a Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals years before we had a Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. Perhaps now we need a Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Parents."

ONE OF the cruelties towards parents in American society today, he feels, is the notion that all you need do to raise your children properly is to read the right books.

"Now it is assumed," he says, "that with the application of modern science to

childrearing it is easy to raise children."

"If a parent makes a mistake, he feels that he is a failure. There is more pressure on parents than there ever was," says the sociologist.

"NO LONGER can a parent get off the hook by dismissing a troublesome child as 'the black sheep of the family.'"

An astonishing change in the attitude of the newly pregnant was described by another distinguished speaker at the two-day symposium, Dr. Robert N. Rutherford, assistant professor of obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Washington School of Medicine, Seattle.

"The atmosphere in my office is unbelievably different," he reports. "It used to be filled with young women who were unhappy about their pregnancy, complaining about their symptoms and, at best, resigned to the inevitable."

NOW, he says, couples decide together that their marriage is mature enough for them to have a child, so they have one.

Why the change?

It's the pill, says Dr. Rutherford. Nearly 100 per cent reliable, the pill is now being used by increasing numbers of American women, with recent estimates as high as 16 million.

A FEW years ago, says the Seattle obstetrician, it was not uncommon for his nurse to



**CAPT. J. P. SEMMENS** ... symposium host



**DR. R. N. RUTHERFORD** ... happy mothers-to-be



**DR. CLARK E. VINCENT** ... cruelty to parents?

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hang up the telephone after a conversation with an unhappy pregnant patient.

Another "Oh, godamit!" baby, she would report.

But this doesn't happen nearly so frequently now.

All of the participants in the symposium are contributors to "Teen Sex Counseling," soon to be published by MacMillan Co., and written by two prominent figures at the symposium.

THEY ARE Capt. James P. Semmens, USN Medical

Corps, chief of obstetrics and gynecology at Oakland Naval Hospital and one of the country's foremost authorities on family life education, and Dr. Kermit E. Krantz, chairman of the department of gynecology and obstetrics at the University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City, Kan.

Directed toward physicians, the symposium was directed by Dr. Semmens and Dr. W. Dieter Bergman, president of the Alameda County Gynecological Society.



## Grateful Day, It Is

Thanksgiving can be for little things, like a hot meal and human companionship on one special day out of the year — or it can be for being alive and seeing a smiling nurse's face and smelling those sage and giblet smells that made childhood's Thanksgiving Day a special, magic time. Some of this is seen at the Salvation Army Mission at 533 9th St., where the traditional turkey and trimmings

are served (above left and at left) to those for whom a festive family dinner is only a memory. Even prisoners can be thankful today as they are remembered with kindness—and their share of the white meat (or dark) from these turkeys being prepared (below left) by Special Dep. Bill Lester, head cook at the rehabilitation center near Clayton in Contra Costa County. Far from home, a special Thanksgiving is brought to servicemen like Sgt. William Olds of Detroit (top right) whose drumstick is served by Army Nurse Lt. Rosie R. Parmeter of Seattle in the 25th Infantry Division Hospital at Cu Chi, South Vietnam — and here at home we give a special Thanksgiving for men like Sergeant Olds and the wounded at Oakland Naval Hospital. A wheelchair brigade at Oak Knoll listened to the Piedmont High School Bagpipe Band — and gave particular thanks for the pretty drummer girl.

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SGT. RALPH L. SOJO  
A soldier discusses heroism

### The Hard Way

## Unofficial Hero Earns His Medal

By PAUL MERZ  
Sacramento Union Staff Writer

Sgt. Ralph L. Sojo, a Sacramento Leatherneck, isn't sure what it takes to be a hero.

He was never awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor, or the coveted Silver Star Medal for heroism, or a Bronze Star with "V" for valor—or any of the other trappings of an official hero. He refers to himself, in fact, as "sort of a chicken."

But Sojo has a Purple Heart. He earned it the hard way.

The young Marine, whose family lives at 1651 Florin Road, spent nearly two years in the Vietnamese jungles as chief of an ammunition platoon. He was there from mid-1965 to mid-1966, returned to the States, and then back for more last March.

He earned his stripes when he was 20. And he lost his legs at 21.

Sojo's story is perhaps one of thousands of tales of unheralded valor in the jungle war.

The Leatherneck, one of more than 250 combat victims now recovering from wounds at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in East Oakland, lost his limbs while trying to save the lives of three of his men.

The date was Monday, Sept. 11. The time in Da Nang, where Sojo's unit was stationed, was 11 p.m.

But the Marines weren't in Da Nang that day. They were on Hill 327, where a bloody battle had just been fought—and won.

Sojo tells the story:

"I was on a helicopter pad on the hill," he said, "taking choppers in and sending them out — evacuating the wounded."

"Suddenly I heard an explosion and a lot of shouting. It sounded like the blast came from the mine field on the hillside. I ran over to see what was happening."

The American mine field had just been laid by a unit which had then withdrawn.

"When I got there," said the Sacramento, "there were all kinds of people and trucks and lights pointing off into the darkness where the explosion had hit."

"They told me three of my men were out there, wounded. They must have wandered into the field by mistake. One of them tripped a mine."

As Sojo recalled that night, sitting in his Oakland hospital bed, his eyes were closed. The incident had happened only two months earlier — but the young sergeant, it appeared, was going out there."

"A corporal was going out there," said Sojo. "He needed somebody to help carry a stretcher. I volunteered to go with him. After all, they were my men."

Sojo called the Corps of Engineers to obtain a map of the new mine field.

"They didn't have one," he said, "but told us they could bring one out in a couple of hours."

But a "couple of hours" wasn't soon enough for the three men who lay wounded in the darkness. The Sacramento and the unidentified corpsman decided to risk the unknown.

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Why did he volunteer for a job that was, after all, not his to perform?

"I'm still trying to figure that out," the young soldier admitted.

"I guess it's one of those decisions you regret later — but I'm glad I made it. At the time, it was just something that had to be done."

Is he a hero?

"I always thought of myself as kind of chicken," said Sojo. "If I saw somebody fooling around with ammunition, I'd be the first one to run like hell."

One of the two men he saved later died of his groin injuries. The second, Pvt. James E. Gilstrap, is alive today — and is also recovering at Oak Knoll from shrapnel wounds.

"I never found out what happened to the corpsman," said Sojo, "but I understand he pulled through, too."

The Sacramento, who will be fitted with artificial legs when callouses form on the bottom of his stumps, expects to be at Oak Knoll for "about six more months."

His plans for the future haven't changed.

"A buddy of mine and I plan to set up a service station and 'speed shop' in Sacramento after we get out," he explained.

"The accident might slow me down a bit," he said, "but I figure if a guy puts his mind to it, he can overcome any obstacle."

"This," he said, gesturing at the place where his legs had been, "isn't going to stop me from doing anything."



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## 'Grow Up and Be a Man Like Your Mother'

BY RUTH MOSS

Notre Dame, Ind. **W**HAT'S going on with the kids today? What's happening in a world in which a mother admonishes, "Why don't you grow up and be a man like your mother?"

How can parents understand children who are growing up fighting the system, fighting the silly games of Suburbia, Executive Search and Commute, fighting the rat race, fighting the vagueness they see in the adult world?

These problems of "The Generation - Communication Gap" are among those in the contraceptive society being explored at a major international conference on "The Changing Woman: The Impact of Family Planning," sponsored at the University of Notre Dame's Institute for the Study of Population and Social Change.

Children are facing the same problems that parents faced years ago, explained Dr. William M. Lamers Jr., child psychologist at Parnassus Montessori Center for Disturbed Children in Ross, Cal., and psychiatrist at Ross Psychiatric Center in Kentfield, Cal., to an audience of 50 experts — equally divided

between men and women — from management and labor, medicine, law, government, welfare, education, population control, sociology, and psychology.

"Young people are no different except they are born into a world of such change that they take this change for granted and believe that it is custom and tradition that is different and thus should be changed."

"They see the downfall of the puritanical view, that sex is a necessary evil to be endured. They poke away at the narcotics laws, they poke against the law in half of the states that call for the male superior position. They no longer see menstruation as 'the curse.' They know that the birds and the bees never enjoyed sex, and they wonder who started the silly story about the stork."

"They will not accept our stereotype of marriage without love and believe that it is possible to live and love and share without all the hang-ups of such a marriage. They see sex for what it is—one of a series of physiological functions, a means of procreation, a means of showing and sharing and giving love."

The challenge, Dr. Lamers

suggests, is to get communication between parents and children thru the layers of defense and anxiety so that the two generations can talk without hostility. He said a mother finally was able to accomplish this in his office when she asked her son again and again until her tone of voice was not provocative, "Tell us all about it."

Her son responded with such an openness that it sent his mother crying from the room seeing what she had missed in their relationship.

"As adults, we want to get so many messages across so that our children can grow up and become responsible adults," said Dr. Lamers, "but when they begin to associate with their peers, they filter out the messages of their parents."

"The name of the game is Keep Away, and the teenagers have the ball. They hear only the peer lingo, and as soon as their parents understand what it means to be cool, they think up other words, so that the more we say, 'Tell us, the more they will say, 'How can I? You don't understand our language.'"

One of the problems is that teenagers have become a sensation. Parents have

learned to fear them, and teenagers have learned how to outrage their parents, said Dr. Lamers.

"Here mothers and fathers need the help of lawmakers, people in authority, to hold out goals—to give young persons ideas—and to teach them that there is no need for them to fear to grow up to be adults."

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lack of honest, effective sex education, according to Dr. James Simmons, chief of obstetrics and gynecology at the Oakland, Cal., naval hospital.

"For years, children have been taught by family, church, and the community that sex is dirty and distasteful," said Dr. Simmons. "In some states, sex is stripped from the books, and man-woman charts have no such characteristics. The masturbation and stimulation have been told that it will give them disease, make them sterile, or make them mentally sick."

"Children need to learn the positive concepts of moral behavior, based on the rights of self and others," Dr. Simmons explained, "and the educator is the logical teacher, from kindergarten on, of what it means to share feelings, express love, feel comfortable with self and with others, and understand sex and the concept of human rights of himself, and others."

The gap between the sexes was spanned by William H. Masters, director of the Reproductive Biology Research Foundation and Virginia E.

Johnson, research associate, in their report on "Female Sexuality," based on their clinical filmed observations of sexual response in their St. Louis laboratory.

"Only thru centuries of constraint have women been forced into the passive role," Dr. Masters said. "The tragedy of our society is that Victoria had more influence here than she did abroad. The analytic concept of woman being passive sexually is a male concept." He continued, "Yet the effective female as far as male stimulation is concerned, is the responsive, active woman."

Mrs. Johnson said their studies established that women may value orgasm more at times when the experience is less intense, and that women "often times are more concerned with this appreciation."

"We males now know what women have known for centuries, that women are infinitely more capable of sexual expression than man has ever been."

"Historically, many women have functioned in a totally subordinate role, yet the idea of woman as a second rate member of a double standard has been terribly hard to accept by women who need a real sense of identity," said Mrs. Johnson. "Woman must be free to be herself sexually. She needs to be someone before she can give something."

"The most threatening threat to the male as he ages sexually," explained Dr. Ma

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## HERB CAEN

DEAR DEFENSE SECTY. McNAMARA ET AL: I'm a reasonably law-abiding citizen. I pay my taxes without a murmur (it's more of a shout) even though a large part goes to support a war of which I disapprove and which is costing \$30 billion a year plus \$5 billion a year for incidentals to the South Vietnamese. However, Mr. McNamara, as long as you and Rusk and the Pentagon are taking care of the fighting men ... I mean, you are, aren't you? Certainly. Then how come I hear from Oak Knoll Naval Hospital that 50 bedridden Vietnam veterans don't even have TV to watch? And that they are in desperate need of 50 "or even 25" portable sets for these guys (repeat: portable) and won't somebody please help? We'll help, Mac. Glad to. I guess we'll have to, since the military-industrial complex apparently can't be geared down to such a low level as the wounded guys who can't even get out of bed. (Keep America Free—Stamp Out Dissent).



# Vet Hospitals to Glitter

By LESTER ON

Christmas just wouldn't be Christmas without the glitter of ornaments or the glow of light, at least not in hospitals.

"In the pre-holiday period," says Lt. Cmdr. Jane Wathen of Oakland Naval Hospital, "sometimes there's a letdown in morale but it picks up when Christmas activities begin."

Commander Wathen is supervisor in charge of all the orthopedic wards at the hospital.

Those patients who have any degree of mobility, she says, usually go to their own homes or someone else's for Christmas.

A hospital spokesman estimates that 75 to 100 patients will be able to spend Christmas in a home this year. The hospital has about 1,000 patients.

"If the fellows aren't going to go home," says Lt. Cmdr. Ann Hamill, in charge of the hospital's psychiatric center, "they do get a little depressed. But I think the decorations do help."

Volunteers, under the auspices of the Veterans Hospitals' Christmas Committee, will start decorating this weekend.

Then, next week, from donations to the 44th annual campaign of the committee, professional entertainment will be presented Tuesday at Oakland Naval Hospital and Wednesday at Veterans Administration Hospital in Livermore.

So far, contributions toward the committee's 1967 goal of \$20,450 total \$19,513.

Lester Knott, director of voluntary services at the

Livermore hospital, says most of the outdoor decorations have been put up by maintenance crews.

These include, he says, four choir scenes and three trees, 40 to 50 feet tall, decorated with lights, among other decorations.

"New this year," Knott said, "will be a large lighted star — 12 to 14 feet from point to point — on top of the administration building which will be visible all over the Livermore Valley."

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## Holiday Shows for Wounded Vets

Now that the decorations are up, the stage is set for holiday shows at Oakland Naval Hospital and the Veterans Administration Hospital in Livermore.

A program featuring music, comedy and magic will be presented at 7 p.m. today at Oakland Naval Hospital. The show moves to Livermore tomorrow where at 6

p.m. pulmonary disease patients at the VA hospital there will get a special showing.

At 8 p.m., the show will be presented in the hospital audi-

torium for the rest of the patients.

All three shows are made possible by donations to the Veterans Hospitals' Christmas Committee whose goal this year of \$20,450 has been reached.

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# Battered Heroes Face Yule in Hospital

By LESTER ON

A brush with death hasn't dimmed the outlook of Sgt. Robert Holt Davis, 24, one of the more than 250 Vietnam casualties at Oakland Naval Hospital.

The Marine from Garden Grove was on routine patrol near Da Nang last March when he touched what he thought was an empty rocket tube left by the enemy.

The tube exploded. A 17-year-old Corpsman who tried to help Davis got killed. And Davis came back minus his legs and an arm.

Yet, in spite of this, Davis can muster a more cheerful attitude than most other people can on a cloudy day.

Davis is one of the reasons why the Veterans Hospitals' Christmas Committee conducts its annual campaign.

Since Davis won't be home for a while, the committee hopes to raise enough money to bring Christmas to him and patients like him at Oakland Naval Hospital and the Veterans Administration Hospital in Livermore.

So far, contributions total \$15,133. The goal this year, for the 44th annual campaign, is \$20,450.

"We came upon a sandy

field and there was a rocket tube previously used to hit Da Nang," Davis said.

"I had a feeling that the whole field was booby-trapped because they just don't leave things that way."

Nevertheless, Davis moved the tube, it exploded and despite his pleas that others stay away, a Corpsman tried to reach Davis only to lose his own life.

Three days after the incident, Davis was admitted to Oakland Naval Hospital and began his fight for life.

In the months since then, Davis credits his wife, Sharon Lynn, for standing behind him and preventing him from drowning himself in self-pity.

Now, Davis says proudly as an amputee, "We can do what everybody else can do except that it'll take a little longer."

Davis will be getting artificial legs soon and hopes before long to start walking again.

"I've already stood up half an hour on the left one and it's been one of the greatest moments in my life."

Davis received a wheelchair Tuesday from Baroness van Heemstra, who has sent various gifts to the hospital for years. She is the mother of actress Audrey Hepburn.

How did he like the wheelchair? "I love it," he said with a smile. "Once I get used to steering it, it'll be fine."

Another Marine who almost lost his life is Sgt. Nick Santos, 23, of Costa Rica.

Santos' company was assigned to secure a landing area near the hamlet of La Nga in Quang Tin province.

But his whole battalion came under heavy fire from North Vietnamese regulars and his buddies started falling.

Santos, a machine-gunner, fired back until he was out of ammunition.

Then, spotting a wounded Marine, he braved enemy fire to move him from the battlefield. In the process, he was shot in the right arm.

Despite that, he pulled his buddy and other wounded Marines to safety.

For his heroism, Santos received the Bronze Star, the third highest military decoration, and a right arm that he cannot use — not even to shake hands.

Santos said his arm has been operated on five times and perhaps the nerve will someday come back to life.

"All of us who were in combat strongly feel that what we're doing is right," he said.

"We know what we're fighting for. I believe in what America is doing. That's why I joined the Marines."

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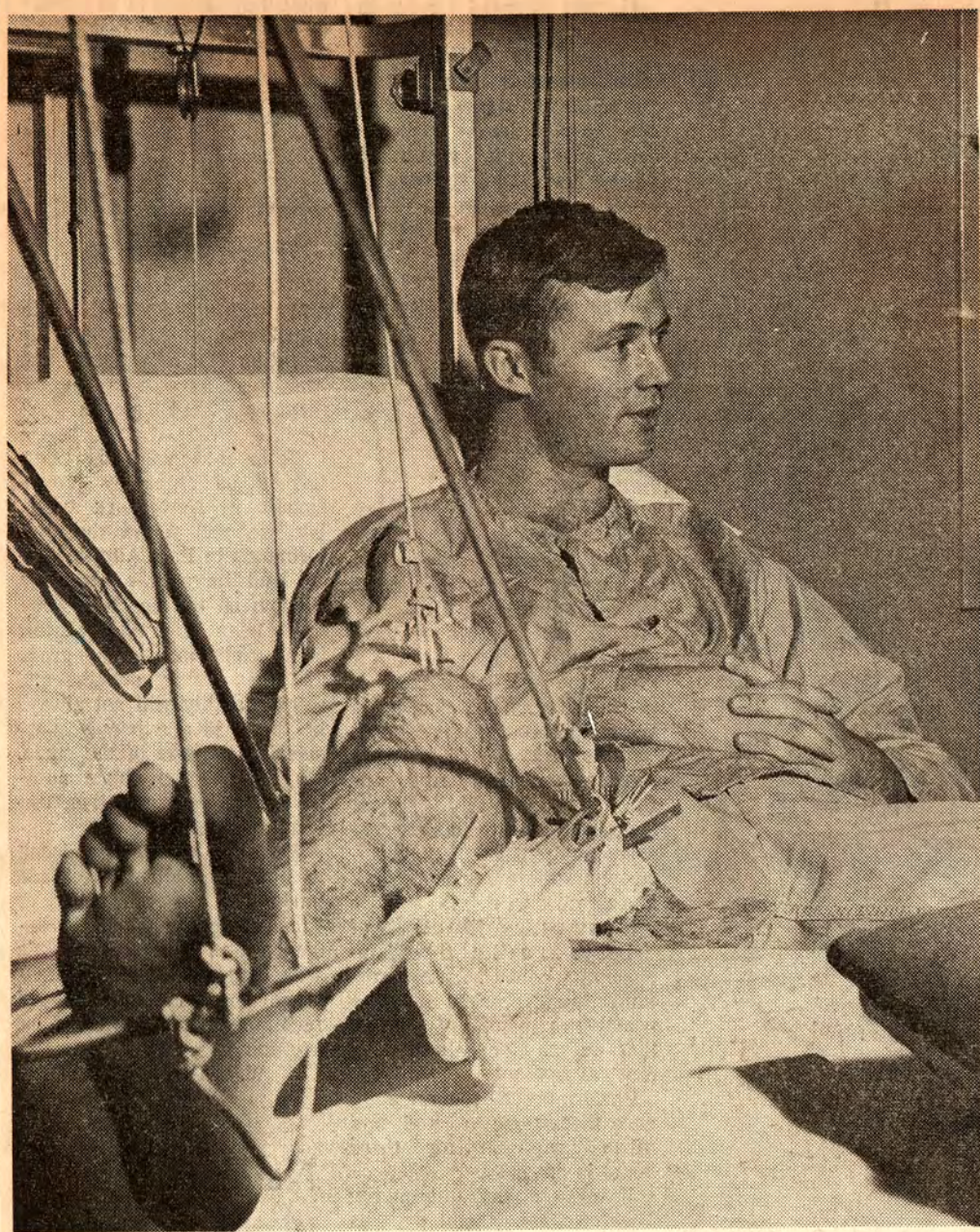
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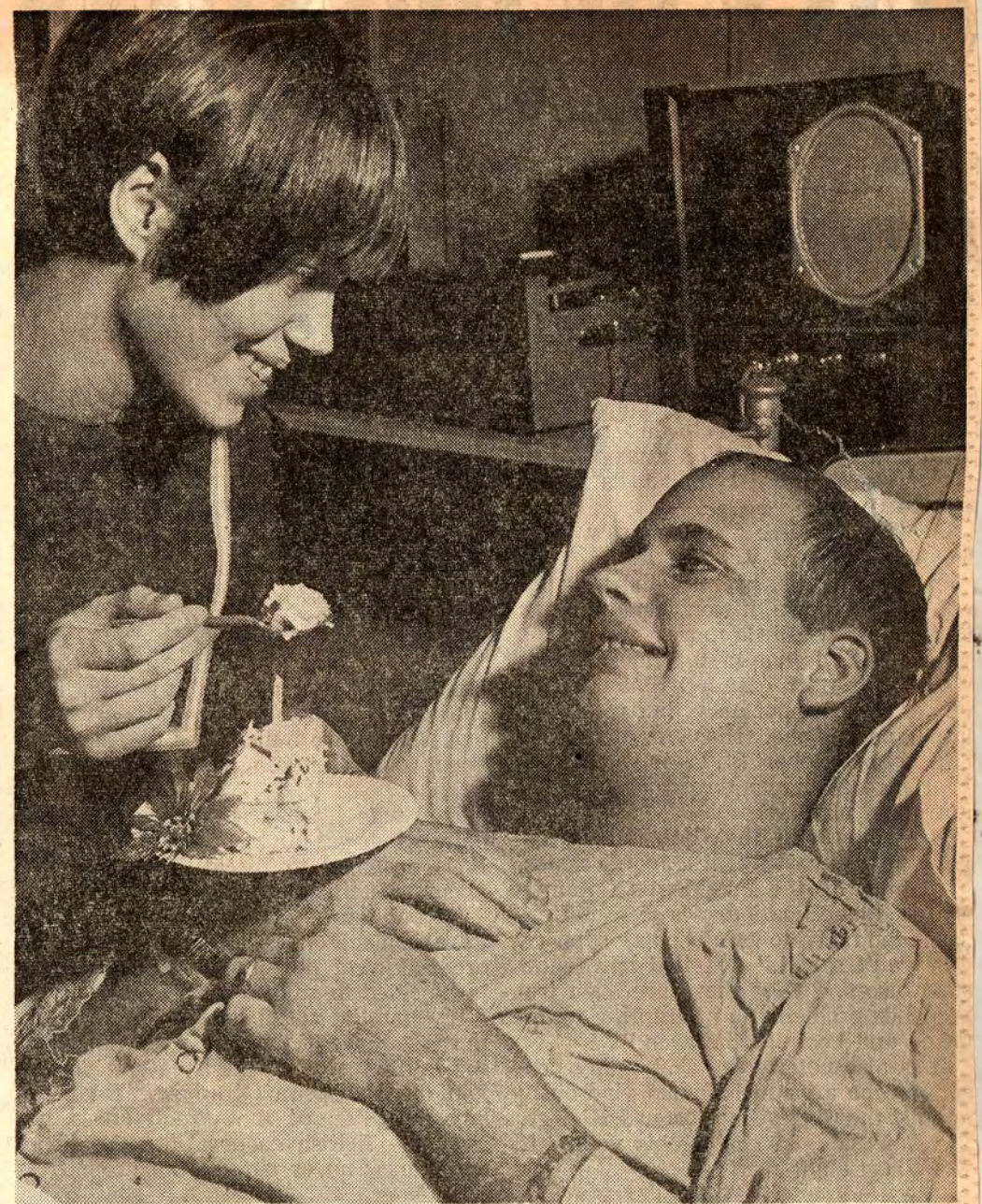
**Leg shattered — not hopes**

Gary B. Wiltrout's wound may keep him in the hospital through Christmas.



**Disc jockey plans**

Thomas Fitzgerald says a jaw wound won't deter him.



**He could see for 20 years**

Michael D. Reed is served birthday cake by his wife, Nancy, who is expecting their first child in February.

## 'I'm not hurt so bad—look at those guys'

# Wounded GIs shun pity, make plans for civilian future

By LEO HANDLEY

OAKLAND — Marine Cpl. Michael D. Reed smiled as his wife, Nancy, fed him a piece of white birthday cake topped with candy holly berries. He had just turned 21 in an orthopedic ward at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital.

His eyes were fixed on her face but he couldn't see her. Nevertheless, he was happy. His wife was at his bedside. He is soon to be a father. Christmas is coming. And he is back from that bloody ravine in South Vietnam.

It was there on Oct. 18 that he lost his eyesight and suffered major shrapnel wounds over much of his body and two broken legs. He was a rifleman on patrol with the 1st Marine Division in the Da Nang area.

His patrol was searching out caves in a ravine area for lurking Viet Cong. Reed said his buddy in front of him tripped a Claymore mine.

"I guess I happened to be

looking right at it. It threw me into a tree."

He was flown to Oak Knoll Hospital three days later.

The war is over for Cpl. Reed and he's looking forward to Christmas.

"I guess we'll have a little dinner by ourselves," he said. "One of the nurses has invited us to dinner, but I don't think the wife is up to it."

### EXPECTING BOY

Reed's wife, Nancy, 20, is expecting in February.

"It's going to be a boy — we've already decided," she said. If it is, his name will be Michael. If it should be a girl, which Reed said he wouldn't mind, either, her name will be Lisa Michelle.

Mrs. Reed, of Salem, Ore., arrived at the hospital Oct. 24, three days after her husband. She lives in a small apartment near the hospital and visits every day.

There are a thousand more GIs like Cpl. Reed at Oak Knoll, most of them sick and

wounded veterans of Vietnam. Many have lost arms or legs.

But despite the approaching holiday season when most thoughts turn to home and friends, spirit among the hospitalized GIs is high. Those who are able to go will be sent home for the holidays, a hospital aide explained. Those who can't leave probably will have visitors.

But several of the GIs said they would appreciate Christmas cards.

Cpl. Reed said he is not bitter about losing his eyesight.

"I think that maybe I gave up my eyes for my son — so he won't have to go. I think it is well worth it."

### TEACHER

What does he plan for the future?

"I would like to become a teacher for blind children. I've had 20 years when I was able to see. I think this could

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help the kids a lot. I like kids anyway."

Thomas F. Fitzgerald, 19, of Sacramento, was a fireman apprentice aboard the destroyer U.S.S. Mansfield when it was pursuing two Viet Cong supply boats off the Vietnam coast. A 100-millimeter mortar shell hit amidship and wounded Fitzgerald and a buddy and killed another.

He suffered shrapnel wounds in both legs, a broken arm, shattered jaw and multiple burns. The jaw wound, which will necessitate bone and dental replacement and plastic surgery, lends a lisp to Fitzgerald's speech.

But that doesn't stop him. He says he is going to become a disc jockey. "I plan to talk a little better when I get out of surgery. I'm going to learn the business when I get out of the Navy."

He plans to attend a junior college and then Sacramento State College in Sacramento.

Any regrets? "No. We really had it pretty good. We used to stand offshore and see the shooting over on the beach. It was really rough on the Marines. We could see those guys shooting all the time.

"I'm not sorry. I knew I

was doing something. I had something to fight for."

### LEG INJURY

Cpl. Gary Wiltrout, 21, Concord, was a tank crew chief with the 1st Marine Division near Da Nang when he got hit in the thigh with a Communist 50-caliber slug. It shot away a three-inch section of the thigh bone. He awaits surgery and expects to walk again.

"We were on a search and destroy mission for five days. An ambush caught us in the middle of a rice paddy. We ran out of ammunition. I was reaching for another ammunition box when I got hit. It

felt like I bumped my leg. I didn't know I was hit until the guy below me yelled up that I was bleeding all over him.

"It was 9½ months before I got hit. It was just one of those things. I'm not sorry. I had to do my time just like anyone else.

"You should see some of those guys up in the infectious wound ward. They really got hurt. I think I'm pretty lucky."

Wiltrout, unmarried, says he may not get home for Christmas but hopes to have visitors from his home town — and maybe a girl friend he met during his several months in the hospital.

"They came in here to visit us Halloween night," he said. "Several girls from Chabot College (in Hayward). They just wanted to cheer us up. She has been coming back."

### ENGINEERING

Wiltrout said after he begins walking again, possibly by next summer, he hopes to

attend Humboldt State College and study structural engineering.

The GI Bill provides four years of college and certain expenses for every GI who wants a higher education.

Lance Cpl. Fred H. King, 19, Concord, with the 3rd Marine Division near Dong Ha last August, knows what it is like to be shot by the U.S. Marines.

"I was on one of the killer teams. Each one patrols a grid square at night and kills anything that moves. One of the grids got messed up."

Somehow the boundaries of the grids overlapped. King said, and he and a buddy were shot by another Marine killer team. He was wounded in the abdomen by an M-16 rifle slug. He is able to be up and around the hospital but the wound is still open.

He said he feels cheated. "I wanted to stay over longer. I was only over there 30 days."



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## USN cadet to speak at schools

Reed O. Clark, son of Dr. and Mrs. Gale G. Clark, 12821 Brookpark Road, will tour seven Eastbay high schools during his Christmas leave period as one of 200 U.S. Naval Academy Midshipmen participating in the "operation information" program.

Midshipman Clark will represent the Naval Academy by speaking to civic groups, appearing on radio and television programs and speaking at all six Oakland public high schools and Piedmont High.

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## HERB CAEN

IN ONE EAR: Howard Nemerovski, the dynamic young lawyer who was a top brain-truster in the Alioto campaign, is a shoo-in for the Police Commission (plus, of course, a Negro and an Irishman). The Mayor-elect already has his press secretary picked out (an ex-newsman) but the search for an executive secretary goes on. Our note Monday about the need for portable TV sets at Oak Knoll Naval Hosp. — for bedridden Vietnam vets — has already produced the needed 50, and we and they thank you. Orin Cass-

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**AIR STATION GIFT**—Rear Admiral Edward P. Irons (seated) accepts gift of \$4,165.12 in cash for the purchase of television sets, and equipment to modernize present sets, for the Oakland Naval Hospital, which he commands. Making the presentation are

representatives of the Naval Air Station, Alameda (from left), Mrs. Joyce Faulk, Miss Claire Gaddi, Abraham Levi, Chairman A. A. Dickenson, Jack Shorum and Roy C. Chapman.





WATCHING A PHEASANT fall to earth after he fired his shotgun is Army Sgt. Michael Dominguez of Phoenix, Ariz., one of the wounded Vietnam veterans participating in Saturday's pheasant hunt in the Tracy area. Guns and ammunition were provided by Tracy hunting hosts.



PHEASANTS taken in the hunt were cleaned and plucked at Oak Island before they were taken back to the hospitals by the veterans. Left to right: Sgt. Maj. Ernie Smith, Marine Lance Cpl. Mac Walker, host hunter Jerry Robinson and Marine Capt. Glenn Lawty.



LUNCH, featuring barbecued hamburgers, beans and salad, was served to the servicemen hunters and their Tracy hosts at the Tracy Wildlife Association's Oak Island. Chefs were Floyd San Julian, John Telleria, Fred Icardi, John Serpa, Bill Alcock, T. D. Clifton and W. O. Jorgenson.



Photo by Tony Traina

SUCCESSFUL HUNTING is announced by two wounded Vietnam veterans holding their limits of pheasants at right. Holding up their pheasants are Marine Lance Cpl. Thomas Jordan of Sacramento and

Lance Corporal Patrick Shine of Piscataway, N.J. At left are Marine Lt. Col. Richard Baity and host hunter Richard Rose. The hunters got their limits on Fred Picchi's land on the east side of the San Joaquin River.

## Vietnam Vets Bag Pheasants

Saturday was the opening day of pheasant season, and no one was more aware of this fact than 15 wounded veterans of the war in Vietnam.

They were guests of the Tracy Chamber, local hunters and land owners for the second annual servicemen's pheasant hunt. The servicemen, patients in Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco and Oakland Naval Hospital, were taken by their hosts to ear-marked hunting areas provided by farmers. A total of 70 birds was bagged.

A barbecued hamburger and baked bean lunch was served at the Tracy Wildlife Association's Oak Island.

Servicemen not wishing to hunt in the afternoon watched the USC-UCLA football game on television. The day was climaxed by a dinner at Luigi's attended by some 60 persons.

Funds for the hunt were provided by the Tracy Lions, Breakfast Lions, Rotary, Kiwanis and Civic Athletic clubs, and American Legion and VFW posts. Safeway stores donated the hamburger for the luncheon; Pollard's Produce, the salad; Alquist Western Auto, the television sets; and Pete's Liquors and Ralph Liquors, beer.



PHEASANTS IN HAND, a group of successful hunters returns to Oak Island after limiting out on Bogetti Bros. land near Vernalis. Left to right Marine Cpt. Julio Shanars of Austin, Tex., host hunter Julius Traina; jeep driver Ed Kaiser, Navy Corpsman Robert Wun-

nenburg of Nebraska (in wheelchair), host hunters Al Bogetti and Joe Toste, Marine Lt. Col. Ed Benninger, and host hunter George Bogetti. Several of the birds were wild turkeys.



HAND WARMERS, engraved with the servicemen's names and date of the pheasant hunt were presented to the wounded veterans at the dinner Saturday night at Luigi's. Making the presentation at left are Chamber President Richard O. Hastie and Mayor Clyde L.

Abbott. At right is Joe Tiago, chairman of the pheasant hunt. Accepting the hand warmers are Marine Cpl. Greg George of Baker, Ore., and Marine Lance Cpl. Mac Walker of Morgan, Utah.



# Wounded Vets Wait for Oakland Bit of Christmas Cheer

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By LESTER ON



**TOM PROVENCE**  
'Lousy' Christmas



**CHRIS LeBAUGH**  
Yule came, went



**DAVID BOLTE**  
Rain, not snow



**JIMMY WILLIAMS**  
'I want to go home'



**SAMUEL ARELLANO**  
'It was lonely'



**FRED COOK**  
Calf-roper

Christmas isn't always a family get-together in a warm and gaily-decorated home.

Plenty of soldiers can tell how time and circumstances left them virtually forgotten when the holidays came.

Take the case, for example, of Marine Cpl. Chris LeBaugh, 22, at Oakland Naval Hospital.

He remembers having a wet Christmas last year in Chu Lai, Vietnam.

"I was standing guard on the perimeter," he says. "I saw Christmas Eve and day come and go."

LeBaugh, from San Francisco, lost his right foot after hitting a booby trap. But he saved 15 buddies and later was awarded the Silver Star.

A flying enthusiast, LeBaugh hopes to get his pilot's license — he was flying before joining the Marines — when he gets out.

Marine Cpl. Samuel Arellano, 23, of Cheyenne, Wyo., was in Okinawa last Christmas. "We came back from Vietnam to regroup," he says.

Asked how Christmas was in Okinawa, he laughed a little and replied: "Well, it was pretty lonely, I tell you."

"I didn't go out. We were pretty well financially embarrassed at that time. Any Christmas away from home is pretty different."

Arellano was hit in the back by mortar fire. His body is encased in a cast. His left leg is broken.

"It's not too bad," he says. "I just have to get used to it."

A year ago, Seaman Appren. David Bolte, 19, of Colorado Springs, Colo., was in Jacksonville, Fla. He remembers only that it was raining.

"I knew it was Christmas," he said, "but I didn't feel like it. Before, I used to be at home and it usually snowed."

Bolte was on a ship in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, when heavy seas knocked him around and broke his left leg.

Marine Cpl. Tom Provence, 19, of Herrin, Ill., was in the Philippines last year.

He had just one word to describe last Christmas: "Lousy. I was on duty. I didn't get to do any celebrating."

Provence lost his right leg

because of a booby trap. His left leg is in traction. He hasn't been home for the last three Christmases.

Marine Cpl. Fred Cook, 21, was home last year in Sherman, Texas. Less than two months ago, he stepped on a mine and lost his left foot.

Despite this handicap, Cook intends to take up calf-roping again when he gets out.

"It pays off pretty good," he said, "if you win enough."

Marine Pfc. Jimmy Williams, 20, also was a little more fortunate last year. He was home with his parents in Richmond, Tex.

But since then, much has happened. For one, he's been through Vietnam and come back without his left leg because of an ambush.

"I want to go home for Christmas," he says. "But the doctor says it depends on how my leg heals."

Do very many of the guys want to go home? he was asked.

"I know everybody here wants to go home for Christmas," he replied. "They're trying to get leave now."

Patients at the Oakland Naval Hospital and the Veterans Administration Hospital in Livermore will get a semblance of Christmas through the Veterans Hospitals' Christmas Committee.

So far, the committee has received \$17,717 in contributions to buy gifts for the patients and decorate the two hospitals. The goal this year is \$20,450.

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**CHRISTMAS PRESENT** — Los Angeles artist George Michaud (right) presents Seaman Terry Kenyon with his portrait as Jeannie Wilson, Los Angeles artist, looks on. Mrs. Wilson and a dozen other Los Angeles area

residents sketched portraits of patients at Oakland Naval Hospital during 'Operation Art for Armed Services.' She originated the idea of doing portraits of hospitalized servicemen during World War II.

## New Group To Aid Amputees

Mrs. William Pierce of Oakland discovered a couple of months ago that entertainment at Oakland Naval Hospital was pretty scarce, particularly in the amputee ward.

Mrs. Pierce decided to do something about it and contacted 30 friends and neighbors, who agreed to form an organization to raise funds for the purchase of television sets for servicemen in the amputee wards.

Plans were laid, and the newly-named Chabot Women's Service Group was born. The women have scheduled their first fund-raising venture for Thursday, Dec. 7 — a luncheon and fashion show at the Hall of Horns in Hayward.

Tickets for the event may be purchased from Mrs. Murray Montgomery and Mrs. Harold Robinson, both of Oakland, or from Mrs. Wallace Wade of Castro Valley.

Mrs. Pierce is chairman of the 12:15 p.m. event, decorations for which are being fashioned by Mrs. Frank Ratto.

Officers for the new organization are Mrs. Frederick Kellogg, president; Mrs. Al Del-Masso, vice president; Mrs. Pierce, secretary, and Mrs. Leland Bruner, treasurer.

Mrs. Pierce noted that the service group probably will schedule future events and broaden its philanthropies.

## 2 'Lucky' Wounded Get a Yule Break

By LESTER ON

Marine Cpl. Gary B. Wiltrout, 21, of Concord, is lucky and he knows it. Here's his story on what happened to him in Vietnam:

"I was with the 1st Armored Co. We were in Operation Arizona about 25 miles south of Da Nang at a village. We were trying to sweep the Viet Cong out of the area."

"On the fifth day of the operation, we were moving across a rice paddy when we got hit from both sides. I guess that's it. A helicopter came in and took us out."

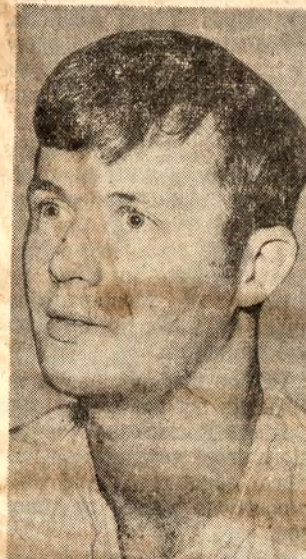
Actually, that isn't the whole story because Wiltrout was crew chief aboard one of the tanks in the operation.

When his tank was hit, Wiltrout — luckily — was reaching for a fresh box of ammunition and was wounded on the right leg.

"I imagine if I wasn't lifting myself out at that time," he says, "I would have gotten it in the belly. King of a stroke of luck, I guess."

When Wiltrout first came to Oakland Naval Hospital, he was put in the amputee ward and realized how fortunate he was.

"I spend a lot of time in bed (since June)," he says — "but I've still got my whole body."



**GARY B. WILTROUT**  
'A stroke of luck'

Marine Lance Cpl. Fred King, 19, is also from Concord and lucky. And he actually got hit in the stomach.

The irony is that King was hit by another Marine "killer team" which was also in the same area probably because coordinates of their grid areas got mixed up.

"The other killer team thought that they were surrounded by the enemy," King says, "and they thought the

quickest way out was through us."

"Four shots were fired. Two hit me in the stomach. One grazed my stomach and hit another guy."

Altogether, three Marines were shot in the mix-up before the teams recognized each other as Marines.

King, although not up to his normal weight of 155 pounds, is up and around. When he came back to the United States, he weighed 106 pounds. Wounds of the other two Marines also were minor.

"Doctors have told me," he said, "that when they fix me up I'll be just as good as normal. They say the most important thing for me to do is to gain weight."

King says the combat conditions in Vietnam changes practically everyone who's sent over there.

"A kid who's never seen combat matures a lot more in two days there than a whole year in the states."

"You learn to grow up fast. Sometimes your decision can cost the lives of other people if you don't make the right decision."

"The guys over there," King added, "are like brothers. There's no discrimination because of race, creed or color. They can save your life and you can save theirs."

Lance Cpl. Harold Frazier, 21, of Arvada, Colo., was not as lucky as Wiltrout or King.

"On May 1," he says, "we were in Operation Hickory in the De-Militarized Zone. I was with the 1st Battalion, 3rd Marines."

"We were walking three platoons on a line when we started receiving small sniper fire. Then the fire became increasingly heavier. There were snipers on our left flank and that was how I got hit."

The bullet struck Frazier from the back and went through the lower right part of his hip. "Another one creased my right side but didn't penetrate," he says.

Frazier figures he'll be able to have limited use of his right leg but he expects to stay in the hospital for another seven or eight months.

Asked if he regretted his in-

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**MARINE VETS AT OAKLAND NAVAL HOSPITAL**  
Corporals Fred King and Harold Frazier

jury, Frazier replied: "Well, in a way you can't regret it. You have to look at it this way — that you were doing your job and you were trying to do your best."

Wiltrout, King and Frazier are just three of the patients at Oakland Naval Hospital who will benefit from the 44th annual campaign of the Veterans Hospitals' Christmas Committee.

Patients at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Livermore also will receive gifts that will be financed by contributions.

The goal this year is \$20,450. The total received so far is \$18,973, still short of the goal.





**THERE GOES ONE** — S/Sgt. Lupe Arrellano gets ready to shoot at Tracy's pheasant hunt for wounded Vietnam veterans. In the wheel chair is Cpl. Mac L. Walker, a Marine. Navy Commander Lawrence Rich, a member of the Tracy Chamber of Commerce military affairs committee which sponsored the hunt, points out a whirring rooster.



**THEY GOT THE LIMIT**—These wounded Vietnam veterans, from Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, Oakland, and Letterman General Hospital, in San Francisco, were guests of the Tracy Chamber of Commerce military affairs committee Saturday for the opening of pheasant season. They got their limit of ringnecks as the photo shows. The veterans are (front row, left to right) Lupe Arrellano, Shelly Ellis, John W. Norman, Thomas Jourdan (back row) Joe Tiago, Richard Rose, Tony Traina, Richard Baily, and Patrick Shing.



It looks like it ought to be the other way around but the young men on the right are actually the recipients of Christmas gifts made by the little Santa's helpers at left. First graders at Lazear School Cindy Trujillo and Donny Wysinger present puppets and ashtrays made by classmates to patients at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital Bob Michaud and John Biel (right), both Vietnam war veterans.



**AFTER THE HUNT** — The servicemen clean and pick their game after Saturday's hunting. The men picked their own birds and took them back to their respective hospitals where they will be cooked. Before going home, the wounded veterans were honored at a dinner given by Tracy civic officials and members of service clubs.



Marine Sgt. Ralph Sojo talks to reporter in Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in East Oakland.

## State Marine Is Self-Made Hero 'Chicken' Leatherneck Loses Legs Rescuing Buddies

By PAUL MERZ  
Cooley News Service

OAKLAND — Sgt. Ralph L. Sojo, a Sacramento Leatherneck, isn't sure what it takes to be a hero.

He never was awarded the Medal of Honor, or the coveted Silver Star Medal for heroism, or a Bronze Star with "V" for valor — or any of the other trappings of an official hero.

He refers to himself, in fact, as "sort of a chicken."

Sojo does have a Purple Heart. He earned it the hard way.

The young Marine spent nearly two years in the Vietnamese jungles as chief of an ammunition platoon. He was there from mid-1965 to mid-1966, returned to the States, and then went back for more last March.

He earned his stripes when he was 20.

**LOSES LEGS**

And he lost his legs at 21.

Sojo's story is perhaps one of thousands of tales of unheralded valor in the jungle war.

The Leatherneck, one of more than 250 combat victims now recovering from wounds at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in East Oakland, lost his limbs while trying to save the

lives of three of his men.

The date was Sept. 11. The time was 11 p.m.

The Marines were on Hill 327, where a bloody battle had just been fought — and won.

Sojo tells the story:

"I was on a helicopter pad on the hill taking choppers in and sending them out — evacuating the wounded.

**HEARD EXPLOSION**

"Suddenly I heard an explosion and a lot of shouting. It sounded like the blast came from the mine field on the hillside. I ran over to see what was happening."

The American mine field had just been laid by a unit which had then withdrawn.

"When I got there," he said, "there were all kinds of people and trucks and lights pointing off into the darkness where the explosion had hit."

"They told me three of my men were out there, wounded. They must have wandered into the field by mistake. One of them tripped a mine."

"A corpsman said he was going out there. He needed somebody to help carry a stretcher. I volunteered to go with him. After all, they were my men."

Sojo called the Corps of

Engineers to obtain a map of the new mine field.

"They didn't have one," he said, "but told us they could bring one out in a couple of hours."

A "couple of hours" wasn't soon enough for the three men who lay wounded in the darkness. The Sacramento and the unidentified corpsman decided to risk the unknown.

"We carried two of them out, one by one," said Sojo, who admitted he and the medic "sweated every inch of the way."

They were carrying the third man to safety when one of them tripped a mine. The stretcher victim was killed in the blast.

**AWOKE 2 DAYS LATER**

"I tried crawling out but I couldn't. My legs were just dangling there."

Sojo woke up two days later at a hospital in Da Nang.

"They told me I was going to be sent to a hospital for amputees," he said, "and I asked them, 'What for?'"

Both his legs had been amputated at knee level.

Since arriving at Oak Knoll Sept. 15—one of more than 50 Marine amputees at the hospital—Sojo has had two oper-

ations to remove shrapnel from behind both eyes. A small piece remains behind his left eye, which he may yet lose "if it shifts, or rusts." Other pieces of the mine will remain with him permanently.

**GLAD HE DID IT**

Why did he volunteer for the job?

"I guess it's one of those decisions you regret later—but I'm glad I made it. At the time, it was just something that had to be done."

Is he a hero?

"I always thought of myself as kind of chicken," Sojo said. "If I saw somebody fooling around with ammunition, I'd be the first one to run."

One of the two men he saved later died of his groin injuries. The second, Pvt. James E. Gilstrap, is alive today—and also is recovering at Oak Knoll from shrapnel wounds.

"I never found out what happened to the corpsman," Sojo said, "but I understand he pulled through, too."

The Sacramento will be fitted with artificial legs. He expects to be at Oak Knoll for about six more months.





MRS. EDWARD P. IRONS HOLDS MOON GUITAR FROM TAIWAN  
... wife of new commanding officer of Oakland Naval Hospital

## Admiral's Lady World of Women

By ELAINE REED

"Follow the road, past the new hospital, right up to the top of the hill. Your ears may pop a couple times on the way up."

Mrs. Edward P. Irons, wife of Rear Admiral Irons, new commanding officer of the Oakland Naval Hospital, was on the phone, giving directions to her home.

AS SHE predicted, ears popped on the way up to the lofty, hilltop site of the five-bedroom, two-story home with a spectacular Bay view.

Barbara Irons, blue-eyed and blonde, was waiting at the door in a red three-piece suit.

Her home has a comfortable lived-in look, even though the family arrived from Washington, D.C., only slightly more than a month ago. It's a knacker Mrs. Irons learned early as a Navy wife. "The faster you get out of packing boxes, the sooner the family feels at home," she said.

THE FAMILY includes 14-year-old Edward, nicknamed Robin, a student at Bishop O'Dowd High School; Christopher, 12, a student at King Junior High, and Valerie, 4.

Then there are Rojo and Neko Chan, the children's cats, who accompanied them west.

Since her marriage in 1952, Mrs. Irons has followed her husband to Jacksonville, Fla.;

Rota, Spain; Patuxent River, Md.; Memphis, Tenn., and Japan, as well as Washington.

The admiral's lady considers each new assignment an adventure.

"A NEW AREA is a challenge," she said. "We make new friends, learn about people and their culture and their problems." Her attitude, she finds, helps the children adjust to moves more readily.

Mrs. Irons notes that while pulling up stakes every couple of years makes one an expert at discarding excess baggage, it also fosters collection of mementos.

There is a high-backed princess chair from Japan on the sun porch. One wall is lined with musical instruments from many lands.

The living room has a tansu chest from Japan and a cedar vestment chest from Spain.

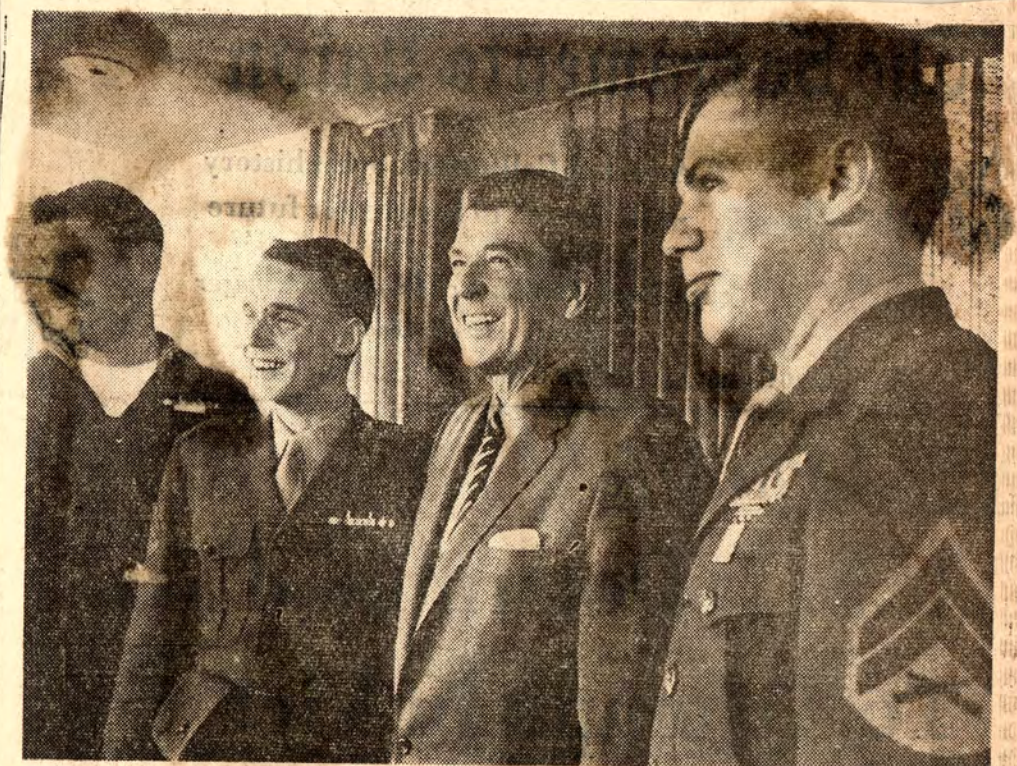
There are small collections. Crests from Spain are displayed under a glass top table. Medicine bags from Japan are on view, as are Robin's coins and war medals and ribbons.

ANOTHER reflection of the family travels is seen in the paintings done by Mrs. Irons herself. She was an art student before marriage, and she paints for pleasure now, with faces and places she has seen as her favorite subjects.

Currently the Ironses have

turned their attention from collecting to sightseeing. The family has toured the Bay Area, and Thanksgiving took them to Long Beach and Disneyland.

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Three Sacramento veterans of Vietnam, all amputees, Wednesday met Governor Reagan. They are (from left) Seabee Dale Savage, Marine Lance Cpl. Tom Jourden, Reagan and Marine Cpl. Mike Carey. (Staff Photo)

## Amputees of Viet War Welcomed Home by Reagan

A group of Vietnam amputees, "home for the holidays" was greeted by Governor Reagan in Sacramento Wednesday with unequivocal blast at the war protestors of the home front.

Reagan, addressing more than 25 Marines, sailors and Seabees from Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, told the wounded servicemen that he and most Americans would "never be able to thank them enough" for their sacrifice.

Among the group, who was honored at the El Mirador Hotel by the State Department of Veterans Affairs and the Military Order of the Purple Heart, were three Sacramentans.

Reagan told the group that although "many people are trying to get attention with signs on the street" the majority of the nation's citizenry is "enormously proud of what you've done on our behalf."

Marine Lance Cpl. Thomas J. Jourden, 21-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Forest Jourden of 3621 East Country Club Lane, will never again have the use of his left arm.

Seabee Builder 2.C. Dale W. Savage, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Savage of 1951 Florin Road, a former newspaperboy for The Sacramento Union, was

another one-armed victim of the war.

And Cpl. Mike Carey of Sacramento, who lost an eye, leg, arm and much of his right side to an exploding mine in Vietnam, also expressed his thanks to the governor for his support of fighting men.

The three Sacramentans, all of whom will never see combat again, had praise for the treatment accorded war amputees at Oak Knoll—and joined with the other war victims in unanimously condemning the antiwar and antidraft protestors in this country.

"None of us have ever been able to figure it out," said Jourden, who was hit five times by Viet Cong machinegun bullets near Chu Lai.

"We read about the demonstrations here at home all the time," he said, "and all we could feel was disgust—that people our own age could feel so little about what we were fighting for."

Jourden, who has been at Oak Knoll since losing much of his arm on Good Friday this year, is a graduate of Bishop Armstrong High School. He intends to major in education at Sacramento State College when released from the Navy hospital in September.

"What I have to say about the demonstrators," he said, "could never be printed."

Savage, a graduate of McClatchy High School, was in the Navy nearly four years before being hit by North Vietnamese artillery near the demilitarized zone at Dong Ho.

Carey, who has been selling men's clothing at Macy's in Sacramento since leaving Oak Knoll six weeks ago, agreed that most of the fighting men in Vietnam were "angry, hurt and puzzled" at antiwar demonstrations, which most GIs took as "a direct insult to the country and themselves."

At Wednesday's testimonial luncheon, the 25 veterans were honored by James Johnson, director of veterans affairs, Mayor Walter Christensen, Spencer Williams, director of health and welfare, and Governor Reagan.

Earlier, they were taken on a tour of the Capitol, and during the noon ceremony they were given gifts of transistor radios and cash by the Purple Heart organization and free phone calls to their families by the Pacific Telephone Co.

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## Reagan Thanks Vets

SACRAMENTO (AP) — A group of young Vietnam veterans, some with a hook for a hand and empty space where their arm or leg used to be, were thanked by Governor Reagan yesterday for "defending our freedom."

The governor told the group that those who wave picket signs against the war "don't speak for the majority of us. The rest of us are so proud of what you've done that we'll never be able to properly express it..."

He spoke to a group of about 20 soldiers, Marines and sailors from Oakland Naval Hospital, here for a visit sponsored by the State Veterans Affairs Department.

Reagan, obviously moved by the sight of the young men — many of them amputees — expressed his "joy that all of you are home for the holidays." He said he was "sure you share the wish that this could be true of all the fellows you left behind over there."

His voice hoarse with the start of a cold, the governor got a long standing ovation from the servicemen and a group of older veterans treating them to lunch at a bar 15 floors above the street overlooking the Capitol.

As the governor walked back to the Capitol, he was preceded up the steps by a shapely young woman — Mrs. David Cowan — in tight green ski pants and bright blue jacket trying to lift a baby carriage with a child in it. The governor's two bodyguards took over the chore, while Reagan held the door open.

Earlier, the veterans had toured the Capitol and heard State Treasurer Ivy Baker Priest declare "we're behind you."

Later, the governor put on his heavy winter coat and vent-



NAVAL HOSPITAL PATIENTS VISIT GOVERNOR  
Cpl. Richard Lee leans back for better look.—(AP)

tured into a biting wind on the Capitol steps to watch a California flag raised which had been flown in Vietnam.

The flag, looking very much like it had been under fire 105 times as reported,

was presented by the 11th U.S. Naval Construction Battalion, or Seabees.

Reagan told the small group that Californians are "very proud" of their men in Vietnam.

**Bill Fiset**  
... Man Alive ...

### The Start of the Season

If you can believe Bob Newhart, the comedian, a Pilgrim mother wanted to give a big dinner party and called a caterer. He had some funny looking chickens he could serve, called turkeys, and wondered if she could arrange to make the affair an annual thing. For years Thanksgiving has been what the name implies, but I suspect now it's become more a barrier for the public against the onslaught of Christmas. Today Wal-White is sitting in his Christmas tree warehouse in North Oakland flocking the 25-foot white fir that will go into the Hotel Claremont lobby the first thing Friday morning. (It's simply not proper to put up a Christmas tree until Thanksgiving is over.) Yesterday Mrs. Riley Cole, swept up in the pre-season Christmas spirit, telephoned Oakland Naval Hospital for the names of some patients she could have out to Thanksgiving dinner.



BILL Fiset

"Sorry," said the guy at the hospital, "but we have no names left. We've had 50 calls in the last hour alone."



# Blinded Marine 'Not Bitter'

By LESTER ON

Just three days from today, Marine Cpl. Michael D. Reed will celebrate his 21st birthday. But he won't be able to see the candles if he gets a birthday cake.

Reed, from Morristown, N.J., lost his eyesight when a booby trap exploded Oct. 18, almost two months ago, in Vietnam. He's now a patient at Oakland Naval Hospital.

"I was part of a re-transmission (radio relay) team in Quang Tri province," he said.

"We were having a lot of trouble with the Viet Cong. They were changing our mines around on us.

"We were turning them around to face them the right way. And they were sniping away at us.

"One man was ahead of me. We were hacking away through the jungle looking for the Viet Cong. All of a sudden I heard a 'boom' and a booby trap explosion threw me into a tree.

"I remember the guys yelling at me to hold on. They told me I was in a tree above a cliff. Finally, they got me out. It must have been only a minute later when a 'copter' came and took me out to a field hospital."

The booby trap, besides taking away Reed's sight, also fractured the lower parts of both his legs. Reed also received multiple injuries to his head, throat, chest, left arm, abdomen and upper left thigh.

"They said I must have been looking directly at it," Reed said. The soldier who was ahead of him was killed instantly.

Reed says he has no hope at all of ever seeing again although the rest of his injuries will heal eventually.

"They say," he said, "that there's no operation that can restore my sight because my optic nerves were damaged."

"They said I'll be able to use my legs. They said I won't have any problems walking or anything."

Throughout the interview, Reed's head moved as if he could see. He would turn toward his wife, Nancy, when he was talking or listening to her.

Asked what it was like to be blind, Reed's head turned again and he replied:

"At first, I was pretty scared. Everything was new to me. I was afraid to do things because I was afraid of hurting myself. Now I realize that thousands of other people are blind too.

"One thing is that I'm not bitter because I was over



BOOBY TRAP BLINDED CPL. MICHAEL REED  
Wife Nancy visits her wounded Marine husband

there doing my job. I'm not bitter against anyone."

Reed, before losing his sight, was looking forward to the day when he would be able to go to college and take up electrical engineering.

"I wasn't sure of which school yet," he said. "My wife had sent me different folders. Now, I would like very much to be a teacher of blind children."

Nancy has moved from Salem, Ore., to California to be near her husband. She is expecting her first child Feb. 18. She visits him every day.

"If you look around a bit," she says, "you'll always find someone else who's a little worse off than yourself."

Reed already has started the rehabilitation process by learning braille despite his other injuries.

He estimates, roughly, that he'll be at the hospital for another two months. Then he and his wife will move to Palo Alto so that he can go to the Veterans Administration Rehabilitation Center there.

"When I was in Vietnam, I know myself and a lot of guys used to get mad at the riots in the states," he said as the interview neared its conclusion.

"At times it didn't seem as if anyone was supporting us. Then when they had the big parade in New York supporting the war, it boosted our morale very much.

"I've received a lot of cards and letters from people I didn't know," he says. "It's a good feeling to know that so many people do care.

"If our sons don't have to go to war, to see what we've seen," he concluded, "Then

the sacrifices will be worth it."

Reed's case, to Navy Fireman Apprentice Thomas Fitzgerald, 19, symbolizes the kind of endurance for which the Marines are famed.

Speaking generally, Fitzgerald said what the Marines are going through "is no easy thing. I tell you, I wish I could still do something for those guys."

Fitzgerald, from Sacramento, was hurt when enemy fire struck the USS Mansfield, a destroyer, off the De-Militarized Zone.

"We were very close to shore," he explained, "close to a mile or less. You see, we were chasing these two Viet Cong craft, but they went up a river."

Fitzgerald was midship when shrapnel from one of the shells struck him, killed another and wounded a third man.

He has shrapnel wounds in his left leg, chest and left

arm. Several teeth also were knocked out.

Fitzgerald's right arm was in a cast but he forgot to mention it when describing his injuries.

"Oh," he said, "I get so used to it I hardly know it's there." The impact of the shell hitting the ship knocked him around and broke the arm.

Fitzgerald was majoring in theater arts at American River College in Sacramento when he decided to ask for active duty from the reserves.

Why? "Because," he said, "I like sea travel and I wanted to fight for my country."

When his wounds heal, Fitzgerald says he intends to ask the physical evaluation board if he can return to active duty.

"The Marines take it rough over there," he said. "They don't have any warm beds or three regular meals a day."

Fitzgerald feels this is the "something" he can still do for the guys on shore.



THOMAS FITZGERALD RECEIVES PURPLE HEART  
R. Adm. Edward P. Irons makes the presentation

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## 'Let All Amputee GI's Go to Cal Free'

SACRAMENTO — Assemblyman Don Mulford, R-Oakland, said today he will initiate action to help amputee veterans of the Vietnam War to attend the University of California.

He said the men involved are out-of-state residents, now about to be discharged from Oakland Naval Hospital, who would have to pay a \$1,500 tuition fee if they registered at the university.

"I intend to talk with university officials and with the State Director of Veterans Affairs to see what can be done to waive this fee," Mulford said.

He commented that the veterans are able to finance their living expenses and normal charges through GI education and disability allowances, but are unable to meet the additional tuition cost.

"They could go back home to eastern states, but the difficulty of getting around in ice and snow in a wheel chair or on brand new artificial legs is a matter of deep concern to them," he explained.

He said there is ample precedent for giving these men special consideration. "We now lower admission requirements for students from minority races, and I have no objection to that," Mulford said.

"I am not so happy over past instances where campus agitators and at least one avowed Communist came here from the east and after paying one year's out-of-state tuition were ruled to be California residents," he declared.

Mulford said he believes men who have risked their lives in combat and who have been maimed in action are deserving of every consideration.

He said he is investigating a report that one amputee, seeking to keep an appoint-

ment with a university counselor last Wednesday, was warned not to go to the office in Sproul Hall.

"I'm told that he was informed that the presence

there of a man in uniform and in a wheel chair might disturb the students conducting a mill-in," Mulford reported.

"He had to meet the counselor in another building."

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## Free Phone Calls For Vet Patients

The Bay Area Council of the AFL-CIO Communications Workers of America has begun its annual "Hi, Mom" program of providing free phone calls to wounded servicemen at Oakland Naval Hospital and Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco.

Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Robert E. Bliss of Downey, Calif., now recovering at the Oakland hospital from the loss of his left leg, was one of the first to take advantage of the union's offer.

He talked with his mother, Mrs. Marjorie Batcheller, and received a lift from her reassuring words.

Bliss was hit by a Viet Cong mortar shell fragment while on patrol duty at Con Thien, South Vietnam. He arrived at the Oakland hospital on Sept. 21.

The telephone calls are part of the CWA's nationwide community service program. More will be made each Sunday until New Year's Day.

Last year 112 telephone calls were completed by amputee service men at the two hospitals to mothers, wives and girl friends at a total cost of \$559.85 to the CWA Bay Area Council which includes locals in Oakland, Hayward, San Francisco, San Jose, Palo Alto and San Rafael.

Jack Santen, council president who also heads CWA Local 9415 of Oakland, said a larger amount is available this year to pay for the tolls.

Another community service project undertaken by the council is the rehabilitation of the Newark Youth Center. With the cooperation of the Alameda County Central La-

bor Council's federally-financed Work Experience Project, the CWA is repainting all the playground equipment at the center and building new picnic tables, a concrete sandbox and a new walkway. Money and materials are provided by the CWA, labor by the youths on the work project.

### Arabs Passed On Greeks' Knowledge

CAIRO — The basis of Arab medicine was the legacy of the ancient Greeks, and that legacy was unknown to Europe till it became available in Arabic translations along with Arab scholars' commentaries. The transmission of the Greeks' knowledge was the first Arab contribution to European medicine.



MARINE CPL. ROBERT BLISS TALKS TO MOM  
Barbara Gomez (left), Lissa Prince arranged call



# Happy Time of Year



As Christmas draws near activities all over the Eastbay grow in spirit and frequency. Veterans at Oakland Naval Hospital were cheered last night with entertainment including pretty dancers (top). Yule decorations in the hospital were hung by volunteer youths, including (from left in picture at left) Debbie Adams, Kendra Chance and Edward Magnuson. Meanwhile Mrs. Algie Davis of 1446 Curtis St., Berkeley, gave a party yesterday for more than 100 guests, all residents from some 14 rest homes of the Eastbay. Children are always remembered at Christmas, she said, "but so many times the elderly are forgotten." Mrs. Davis is shown passing out gifts during the party (above).

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## Yule for Wounded Marine

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Connell of Kearns, Utah, are going to celebrate Christmas twice on Christmas Day, thanks to the Oakland and San Leandro AMVETS posts.

The Connells will unwrap presents with their six younger children in the morning at home and in the afternoon fly to Oakland to see their eldest son, Marine Pfc. Steven Connell, 20.

Steve has been on the "serious" list with a severe head wound at Oakland Naval Hospital since June 30, when he was flown to the States after a month on the U.S. hospital ship Repose.

"He wanted to be a Marine so bad," his mother told The Tribune from Kearns. "He was afraid he'd be drafted and he didn't want anything but the Marines. So he joined Oct. 3, 1966 and arrived in Vietnam March 20."

Two months later—May 21—while on patrol he was shot in the head by a sniper.

"He's never been away from home at Christmas before," his mother said wistfully.

The younger Connell children—Tammy at 3½ is the baby—will be cared for by the three teen-age daughters for the three days Mr. and Mrs. Connell are here.

They last saw Steve the day after he arrived in Oakland.

"He was able to say 'Hi' then," Mrs. Connell recalled. "But a week later he took a turn for the worse."

It has only been within the past month that he has shown indications of awareness of things around him, hospital officials said.

AMVETS officers from Oakland Post No. 44 called the Connells Tuesday night to invite them here to see their son, as guests of "Operation Sleighride."

This annual project usually sends young veterans home for the holidays—and will pay travel expenses for 12 to 15 men again this year—but Steve's was a special case.

"We're just so grateful to them," Mrs. Connell said. "We were thrilled to death."

She said they plan to stay here three days, spending as much time with their gravely ill son as possible.

And at the hospital, a spokesman expressed the tentative hope that their visit might speed his recovery.

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## Jack Rosenbaum

### A Few Phone Calls . . .

Christmas Story: While young Navy seaman Carl Harnishfeger, wounded aboard a destroyer off Vietnam, underwent a leg amputation at Oak Knoll Friday, his distraught wife paced the corridor. Jack Block, visiting another patient, learned she had no place to stay and practically no money. She had left two small children in San Diego with their grandmother. Block made a few phone calls to the right people and, in the spirit of the season, some wondrous things happened.

PSA flew the children and their grandmother to Oakland . . . Paul Handlery gave the family a suite of rooms, including meals, at the Lake Merritt Hotel . . . And Yellow Cab arranged free transportation to and from Oak Knoll. Merry Christmas.

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## HERB CAEN

TRADER VIC flew down to L.A. the other dawn to make a speech at 7 a.m. before the exclusive Jonathan Club. "It was a short speech," he reports, "because I've never tried to talk at that hour. I was supposed to speak for 30 minutes and I spent the first 20 clearing my throat" . . . Although he has his own twin-engine plane and pilot, Vic flew down commercial. He had turned over his plane that day to a 20-yr.-old patient at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, who lost both legs (below the knee) in Vietnam, and who wanted to go home to Billings, Montana, for Christmas. He got there in style . . . Vic, who lost a leg years ago, has spent a lot of time with this young veteran. One night he said to him: "Now, kid, don't you worry about your legs. You'll be okay. I only have one leg and I can hunt and fish and dance — everything. Don't worry about girls, either. If you find the right girl it won't make any difference" . . . "That, sir," grinned the young man shyly, "I've found out already!"

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## BANK OF AMERICA TO OPEN NEW OFFICE AT EASTMONT MALL



BANK OF AMERICA is moving to the Eastmont Mall shopping center, and will open new quarters there Monday, January 8, for its 74th and MacArthur branch. The new branch building is shown here at the left.

Bank of America will open a new office for its 74th and MacArthur branch January 8 at the Eastmont Mall shopping center in Oakland.

Ribbon-cutting ceremonies will be held at 9:45 a.m., followed by an all-day open house at the handsome branch building, Manager E.C. Anderson said.

The new quarters, 6900 Bancroft Ave., replace the former office at 7335 Mac-

Arthur Blvd. The 60 by 111 foot building contains 22 streamlined teller stations, and is highlighted by floor-to-ceiling glass windows, and brick veneer exterior walls.

Anderson will receive a gold key to the new office Monday from A.B. Gilman, Bank of America vice president and area administrator. W.B. Manis, assistant vice president, will be master of ceremonies.

The public is invited to attend the open house. Several unique exhibits, headlined by a scale model of the new Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, will be displayed at the branch. Refreshments will be served, and souvenirs will be given to visitors.

Scheduled to attend the event are Mayor John Reading and Oakland City Councilman Frank Owens.



## CAL-VET NEWSLETTER

A monthly digest of news affecting California's three million veterans,  
prepared by the California State Department of Veterans Affairs



HONORABLE RONALD REAGAN  
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"WHY DON'T WE BRING A GROUP of California Vietnam War wounded VETERANS to Sacramento so they can see, at first hand, the seat of State Government and meet the people who represent them?" This casual question in October was the start of a highly successful day's outing in Sacramento for 32 young VETERANS and staff members from Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, Oakland, on Wednesday, December 13.... At 0950 a long, gray Naval bus glided to a stop in front of the El Mirador Hotel. By 1000 the wounded had walked the short distance to the Rotunda in the Capitol. Met by experienced Capitol guides, they were presented souvenirs, briefed on a short history of the Capitol, and given an explanation of the Capitol's historical significance.... From the Rotunda the VETERANS were taken on a leisurely tour of the Treasurer's Office (unfortunately, no samples were available), Senate and Assembly Legislative Chambers, Committee Hearing Rooms and the Governor's Council Chamber where they were welcomed by Mrs. Ivy Baker Priest, State Treasurer.... At 1200 they had returned to the Sky Room, El Mirador Hotel, for a steak luncheon and to meet State officials James E. Johnson, Director, Department of VETERANS Affairs, and Spencer Williams, Administrator, Health and Welfare Agency. State VETERANS organizations' Commanders Hal Heinley, AL; Joe Unglo, MOPH; Julio Pina, AMVETS; and Robert Beauchamp, VETERANS of WWI, were also present. Mayor Walter Christensen, Sacramento, presented keys to the city to Sacramentoans L/Cpl. Thomas J. Jourden and BUL2 W. E. Savage. Spotted in the audience were Bill Allen, Chairman, California VETERANS Board; members Irving Klein, Wing Fat, George Sinopoli and John Ertola, attorney for the Board. Counties were represented by CVSO Association President Toby O'Bayley of Mendocino County, and CVSO Jack Hathaway, Yolo County. Adding further glamour to the occasion were many representatives of the State of California, various levels of VETERANS organizations, and friends of VETERANS too numerous to name individually.... Press coverage given by newspapers, radio and television stations was excellent. Many feature and general interest articles and pictures were printed in newspapers. Radio and television newscasts were heard and seen across the State.... Highlight of the luncheon was the presence of Governor Ronald Reagan who, in a few well chosen words, established excellent rapport with the young VETERANS, then took the time to shake hands and say a few words to each Marine, Sailor and Seabee as he departed.... Meetings of this type just don't happen. A lot of time, effort, money and thoughtful planning go into making a program of this nature a success. To date, not one word of complaint has been heard. The compliments have been liberal and profuse.... CAL-VET NEWSLETTER thinks that full credit should be given where credit is due. In this case the kudos, praise and thanks go to: Past Department Commander Bill Stewart, AMVETS, who chaired and MC'd the whole affair. MOPH Chapter No. 385, Val Davie, Commander, presented each VETERAN with a transistor radio, \$5.00 enclosed in a beautiful Christmas card, and assisted in other ways financially. A donor, who specified her name remain anonymous, contributed \$250.00 to assist in this and future events. See's, MacFarlane's and Saylor's Candies generously presented the wounded VETERANS with 52 pounds of chocolates. Baker Boy Pastries furnished a delicious decorated cake for dessert. Table wines came from Napa Valley's finest vineyards: Charles Krug, Louis Martini, Beringer Bros., Inglenook, Christian Bros. and Beaulieu. Cigars from Capital Cigar Co. Mints, gum and cigarettes were gifts from the Beechnut Co. and R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. Frank Jordan, Secretary of State, presented scrolls of the Great Seal of California. The California Almond Growers Exchange donated samples of their products and provided a guided tour of their plant. El Mirador Hotel

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## Yvonne Plays Santa Claus

Yvonne D'Angers, wearing a scoop-necked, miniskirted Santa Claus outfit, entertained the patients yesterday at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital.

Miss D'Angers gave out gifts, mostly transistor radios and shaving kits, collected by KNEW radio "communicator" Pat Michaels.

Michaels and Miss D'Angers teamed up to give away the gifts sent in by Michaels' listening audience.

### Women

Actually, Michaels said, there was "considerable controversy" about Miss D'Angers appearing at the naval hospital. Many of Michaels' women listeners objected to "subjecting our boys" to the topless star.

The officer of the day at Oak Knolls, Lieutenant Sheldon Fingerett, said the hospital personnel were "pleased" to have the Persian Lamb.

Lieutenant Fingerett was only worried there would be insufficient patients to give the gifts to. There are normally 900 patients in the wards. More than half of these were home for the holidays, Fingerett said.

"We had so many requests from families in the area who wanted to have patients for the holiday, we had to go on the radio and say all our patients were taken care of."

Lieutenant Fingerett steered Miss D'Angers and Michaels to the orthopedic ward — "Most of the men there are in body casts, so they can't go anywhere," said the lieutenant.

David Weber, 22, of Lincoln, Neb., received the first present from the blonde, pouting entertainer. Miss D'Angers, who is quite tiny, boosted herself on to Weber's bed.

The Marine told her he had "got hit with a Russian 141 millimeter rocket." He received the wound — which tore away his left leg — at Dong Ha, Vietnam, he said.

Miss D'Angers asked Weber if his family were coming to visit him. "They visited me once," said Weber. "And I don't want them back, till I'm walking."

"You'll walk," said Miss D'Angers, reassuringly.

"I damn sure will," answered Weber.

### CLUB

In the bed next to Weber Sherman Baldwin, 30, of Little Falls, N.J., told his visitor he had been in Oak Knolls since July, 1966.

Neither of the men had heard of Miss D'Angers, nor knew how she earned her living.

Told, they both made a note of Miss D'Angers' club, the "Off-Broadway," where they hoped they would be able to see her when they got out.





William F. George photo

Sgt. and Mrs. Norbert Olbrantz left Naval Hospital Chapel under an arch of swords

## A Bride for the Sergeant

Georgianna O'Neil carried red, white and blue carnations "in honor of the servicemen of America" when she became the bride of Staff Sgt. Norbert J. Olbrantz of the U.S. Marines.

The afternoon wedding took place in the chapel of Oakland Naval Hospital where the bridegroom, a Vietnam war casualty, is an out-patient.

Georgianna is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. O'Neil of Fremont. Her husband is the son of Mrs. Nathan Miller of Menasha, Wis.

For her nuptials, the bride chose a white lace gown and veil. Mrs. Harmon Reynolds of Alameda, her matron of honor, wore blue crepe and carried blue and white carna-

tions. Mrs. Robert Mayfield of Hayward was the bridesmaid.

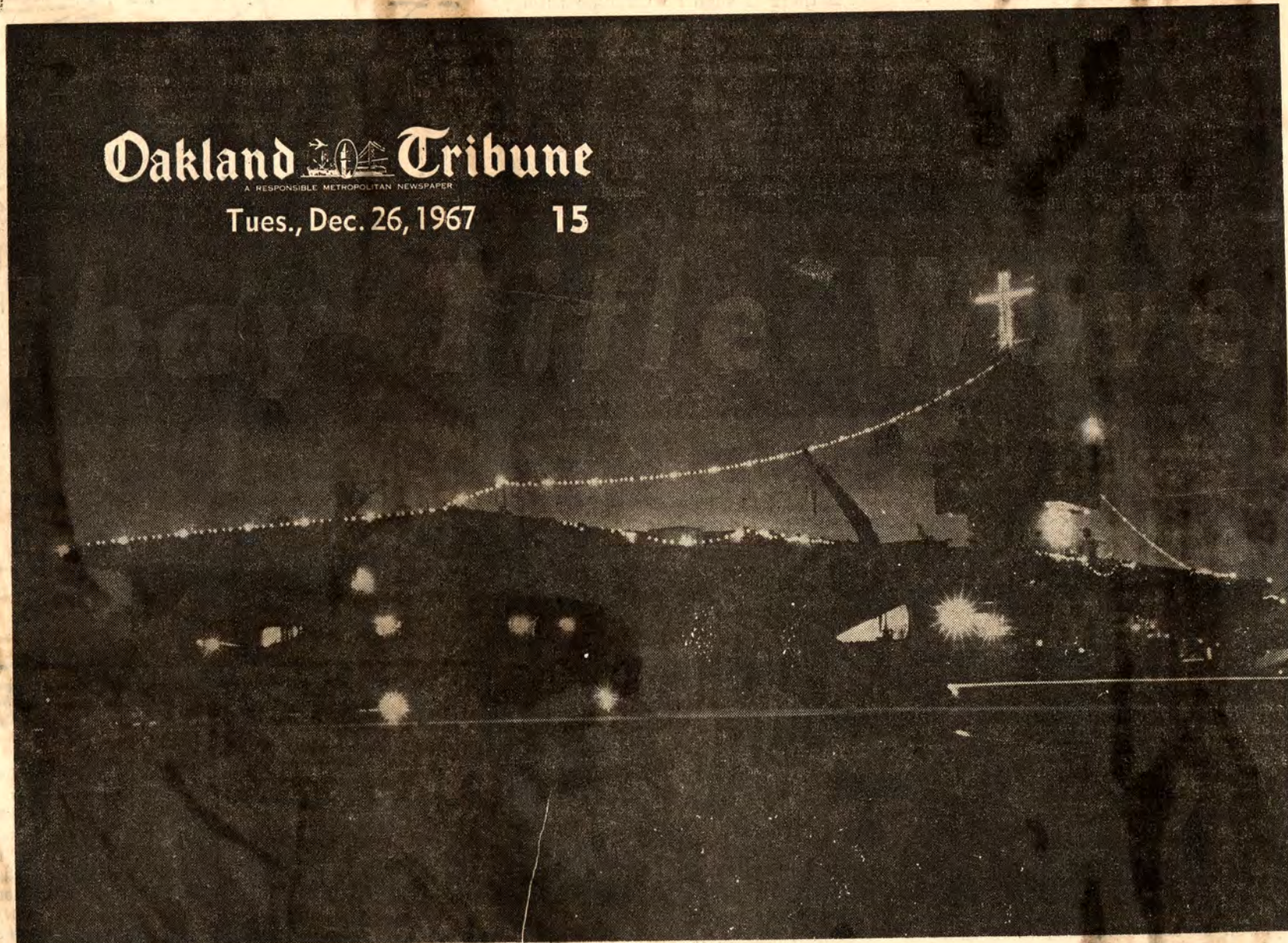
Julius Olbrantz of Orange served as best man, and Norman Olbrantz of Fullerton ushered.

After a reception at the CPO Club at the hospital, the newlyweds honeymooned at Lake Tahoe. They will reside in the Eastbay.



CHRISTMAS 1967

# A Day of Happiness



## 'Big E' Joins Festivities

It was a day for families, laughter, colored lights and gifts given with love. The spirit of Christmas was caught by the brilliantly decorated USS Enterprise, a stunning sight at Alameda Naval Air Station, and by Harold Norman, administrator of Children's Hospital who dressed up like St. Nick to cheer—or startle—young wards. Hospitalized veterans weren't forgotten and men who drew the duty, such as Gaylord Nye (top left), invited their families to feast aboard ship. 'Holiday on Ice' hosted 5,000 servicemen and some got to talk to the pretty skaters.

Bill Fiset is on vacation





# Happy New Year!

## Oakland Tribune

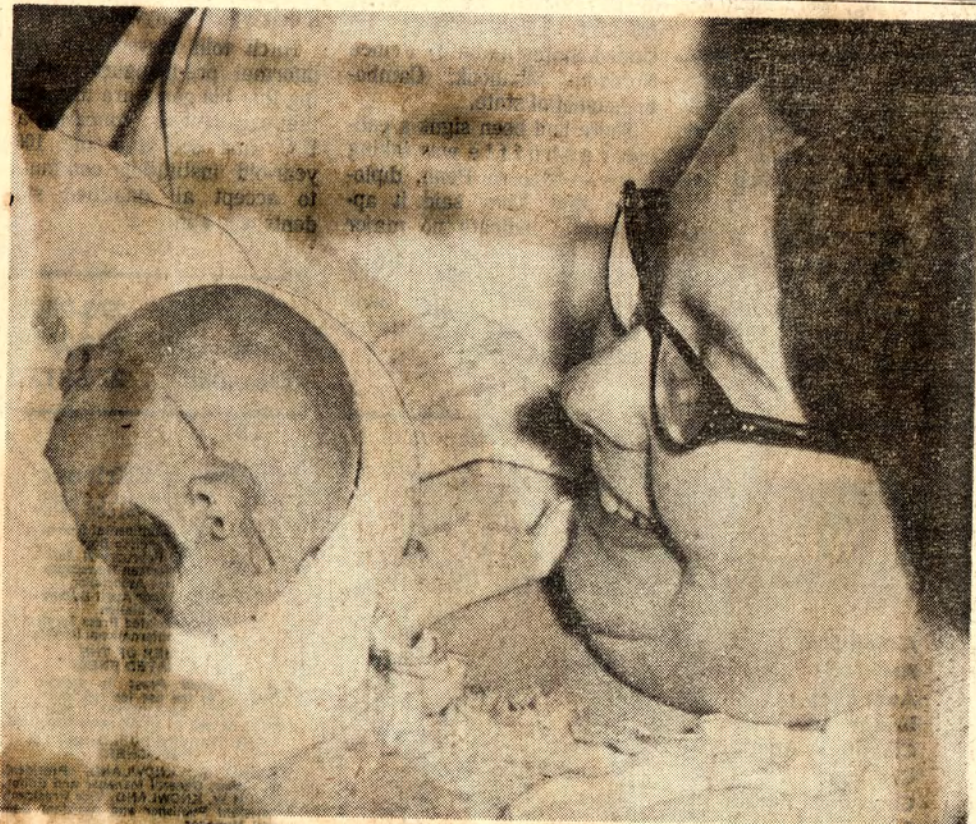
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Mrs. Mary Davidson beams at son, Eastbay's first 1968 baby

### Two Titles for First Baby

James Matthew Davidson, a spanking six-pounder, entered the world with two titles today: First 1968 Baby in the Eastbay, and last baby to be born at Herrick Hospital.

He's also the first child for his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Davidson, both 27, who live at 1133 1/2 Delaware St., Berkeley.

The new year was only 46 minutes old when James arrived in Herrick Hospital,

which is closing its maternity ward.

Other early 1968 arrivals in Eastbay hospitals:

1:49 a.m. — Howard Leslie III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard L. Fournier of the Alameda Naval Air Station, in Oakland Naval Hospital. The father is a third class petty officer.

2:29 a.m. — A still-born named son of Mr. and Mrs. John Rhodes of 2507 Joyce St., Hayward, in Eden Hospital, Castro Valley.

3:50 a.m. — A son to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Jaye of 7848 Surrey Lane, Oakland, in Merritt Hospital.

6:14 a.m. — A still-to-be named son to Mr. and Mrs. Luis Galinda of 23 Parkland Drive, Walnut Creek, in John Muir Hospital, Walnut Creek.

7:40 a.m. — A son to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Carl Phillips of 1200 Bay View Farm Road, Pinole, in Richmond Hospital.

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### Dead Son's Letter to His Folks

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through what I have gone through," the letter continued.

Gary had a premonition about death and he wanted his family and the girl he planned to marry when he returned to know how much he loved them and what his thoughts were.

"I want you to know," he wrote, "that it was expected by me and accepted. For I have had a good life with my two families, (mine and Janeen's)." Janeen was his girl friend.

He said he was a very proud soldier and wanted his family to look out for his two brothers, Gregory and Eugene, but most of all he wanted his family to look out for Janeen.

"I am proud to say that I died fighting for this country's ideas and beliefs and for the freedom of the generations to come. I sincerely hope that Gene and Greg will not have to experience what I have in order to feel this way towards their country.

"I hope that you will look after and help as much as possible the one person I want to be protected most of all, Janeen," Gary wrote. "I don't know at this date whether I will be married to her now or not, but whether we are married or not, I want her comforted and helped when it is needed and as much as possible."

Gary concluded his letter by writing: "Some day all of us will be together again for eternity. I send my love to you all and say, 'Be proud, not sorry, it is for his country, the greatest country, and the greatest people ever!'"

Gary's parents were informed he was killed on Jan. 2 near Quang Nam. Details of his death are not known. He had been in Vietnam less than two months.

Gary was a native of New Orleans, but his parents moved here when he was a small boy. He was a 1964 graduate of Washington High School and a member of the football and swimming teams.

He wanted to become a doctor so he enrolled at California State College at Hayward. He was there for two years before enlisting in the Navy as a corpsman.

Funeral services are pending at the Chapel of the Chimes in Hayward. Eugene, one of Gary's brothers, is home from Texas on emergency leave from the Navy to serve as an honor guard.

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### Letter From A Dead Son

FREMONT—"Maybe I have died at a young age, but I died with definite beliefs and I am not sorry for standing up and fighting for them."

Gary Meredith, 21, wrote the above words in a letter to his family with instructions that it not be opened until his death. The note was written last July 3 while he was stationed as a corpsman at the Oakland Naval Hospital.

Friday night Mr. and Mrs. Dorien F. Meredith, 38457 Logan Drive, were notified their son had been killed in Vietnam. They opened the letter.

"Dear Folks," it began. "When you read this I will have died without any fear of what is to come, for I have done what I think is more important than living, that being fighting for my country and its ideas.

"I died trying to bring the world to a state which is free and safe for others in the hope that they will not have to go

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**COMMAND CHANGE AT 12TH NAVAL DISTRICT**  
Admirals W. H. Groverman (left) and Leo McCuddin

## Adm. McCuddin Takes Over

Rear Adm. Leo B. McCuddin assumed command of the Twelfth Naval District and Naval Base, San Francisco, yesterday in ceremonies at Treasure Island.

He succeeds Rear Adm. William H. Groverman, who has been serving as district commandant in addition to his primary duty as Commander, Western Sea Frontier. Admiral Groverman will continue in the latter command.

The Medal for National Safeguarding and the Medal of Valor of the Republic of Vietnam were presented to Admiral McCuddin at the ceremonies in the large lobby of the Western Sea Frontier headquarters building. Admiral McCuddin commanded the Alameda-based carrier USS Ranger in Vietnamese waters during the first six months of 1966.

The citation noted McCuddin's "skillful leadership" and "broad command experience" as factors in countering the infiltration of men and arms from North Vietnam into the South. The order was signed in June of last year by President Nguyen van Thieu.

From July, 1966, until his present assignment, Admiral McCuddin was with the Bureau of Naval Personnel, Washington, D.C.

He was appointed an aviation cadet in the Naval Reserve in April, 1941, and was

commissioned as ensign the following year.

He was a fighter ace in World War II with six Japanese planes shot down. He also saw combat service in Korea and numbers among

his medals the Navy Cross, the Navy's second highest award.

Admiral McCuddin completed studies for his law degree at Georgetown University following World War II and has

been admitted to practice before the U.S. District Court and U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia.

McCuddin, 50, is a native of Sioux City, Ia., and a graduate of the University of Ne-

vada.

The Twelfth Naval District encompasses over 100 installations and commands in Northern California, Utah and all of Nevada except the Las Vegas area.



Extra



# The Maligned Parent

By JAN SILVERMAN

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ONE OF the cruelties towards parents in American society today, he feels, is the notion that all you need do to raise your children properly is to read the right books.

"Now it is assumed," he says, "that with the application of modern science to



CAPT. J. P. SEMMENS  
... symposium host

childrearing it is easy to raise children.

"If a parent makes a mistake, he feels that he is a failure. There is more pressure on parents than there ever was," says the sociologist.

"NO LONGER can a parent get off the hook by dismissing a troublesome child as 'the black sheep of the family'."

An astonishing change in the attitude of the newly pregnant was described by another distinguished speaker at the two-day symposium, Dr. Robert N. Rutherford, assistant professor of obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Washington School of Medicine, Seattle.

"The atmosphere in my office is unbelievably different," he reports. "It used to be filled with young women who were unhappy about their pregnancy, complaining about their symptoms and, at best, resigned to the inevitable."

NOW, he says, couples decide together that their marriage is mature enough for them to have a child, so they have one.

Why the change?

It's the pill, says Dr. Rutherford. Nearly 100 per cent reliable, the pill is now being used by increasing numbers of American women, with recent estimates as high as 16 million.

A FEW years ago, says the Seattle obstetrician, it was not uncommon for his nurse to



DR. R. N. RUTHERFORD  
... happy mothers-to-be



DR. CLARK E. VINCENT  
... cruelty to parents?

## World of Women

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hang up the telephone after a conversation with an unhappily pregnant patient.

Another "Oh, godamit" baby, she would report.

But this doesn't happen nearly so frequently now.

All of the participants in the symposium are contributors to "Teen Sex Counseling," soon to be published by MacMillan Co., and written by two prominent figures at the symposium.

THEY ARE Capt. James P. Semmens, USN Medical

Corps, chief of obstetrics and gynecology at Oakland Naval Hospital and one of the country's foremost authorities on family life education, and Dr. Kermit E. Krantz, chairman of the department of gynecology and obstetrics at the University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City, Kan.

Directed toward physicians, the symposium was directed by Dr. Semmens and Dr. W. Dieter Bergman, president of the Alameda County Gynecological Society.



## Westmoreland At Walter Reed



**DURING HIS LATEST** high-level conferences in Washington, U.S. commander in Vietnam, Gen. William C. Westmoreland, found time to visit Walter Reed General Hospital where

he was greeted by its commander, Brig. Gen. Frederic J. Hughes, MC, USA, left, and executive officer, Col. John L. Bradley, MC, USA.

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Serum levels obtained by the recommended dosages are comparable to those provided by the oral dosage of 1 to 2 Gm. daily in adults. Antibiotic therapy should be continued for at least 24 to 48 hours after all symptoms and fever have subsided.

In certain diseases specific courses of therapy may be recommended as a general guide. In primary and secondary syphilis for example, the daily administration of 2 Gm. oxytetracycline, orally, in divided doses for two weeks has given good results. In cases of gonococcal infection two intramuscular injections of 250 mg. each, or one intramuscular injection of 250 mg. combined with one gram given orally as a single dose, will usually suffice, but repetition of this therapy will be required in an occasional case.

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## Progress Notes...

THE NEW DEPUTY ASSISTANT Secretary of Defense (H&M), **Louis M. Rousselot**, M.D., of New York, officially begins his Pentagon duties on 2 January... Retiring **Chester M. Kurtz**, M.D., director of the VA hospital in Albuquerque, will be succeeded by **Paul N. Schmoll**, executive assistant to **H. Martin Engle**, M.D., VA chief medical director... NLM's **Carl D. Douglass**, Ph.D., has been appointed associate director of program development in NIH's division of research facilities and resources... Navy Surgeon General **Robert B. Brown** has been elected an honorary fellow of the International College of Dentists.

FORMER NAVY FLIGHT surgeon, **Robert H. Riordan**, M.D., has joined United Air Lines' medical department at Stapleton Field, Denver... **Jefferson D. Bragg**, Ph.D., retired dean of Baylor University's graduate school, has received the Army's distinguished civilian service award for his contributions to military hospital administration... New secretary-treasurer of the section on military pediatrics of the American Academy of Pediatrics is **Capt. Delmer J. Pascoe**, MC, USN, of the Naval Hospital, Oakland.

PROFESSOR AND CHAIRMAN of a new department of aerospace medicine at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston is NASA's **Charles A. Berry**, M.D., director of medical research and operations at Houston's Manned Spacecraft Center... **James R. Maxfield, Jr.**, M.D., of Dallas, is the only physician member of AEC's advisory committee on isotopes and radiation development, which includes astronaut **Cmdr. Scott Carpenter**... New president of the Flying Physicians Association is **George M. Gumbert**, M.D., of Lexington, Ky., an FAA aviation medical examiner since 1960.

PROMOTED LAST MONTH to star rank was Brig. Gen. **Earl W. Brannon, Jr.**, USAF, MC, commander of the David Grant USAF Hospital, Travis AFB, Calif... **Roger T. Sherman**, M.D., professor of surgery at the University of Tennessee College of Medicine has been named to the NAS-NRC committee on trauma... **William I. Gay**, D.V.M., former program director for comparative medicine of the National Institute of General Medical Sciences, was succeeded by **Howard Jenerick**, M.D., on his advancement to chief of the institute's research grants branch.

FORMER VA CHIEF MEDICAL director **Paul Magnuson**, M.D. has received the National Safety Council's 1967 Surgeons' Award for Distinguished Service to Safety... Retired AF captain **William J. Colley**, former AFIP legal counsel, has been named legislative liaison officer of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association... **Capt. Kenneth L. Urban**, DC, USN has been selected as a merit alumnus of St. Louis University... Navy space researcher **Ashton Graybiel**, M.D., was elected to the board of trustees of the International Academy of Astronautics at the society's fourth annual meeting in Belgrade.

MORNINGSIDE COLLEGE of Sioux City, Ia., has elected Maj. Gen. **Charles H. Roadman**, USAF, MC to its board of directors... **Gunter F. Bahr**, M.D., and **Elmar H. Zeitler**, Ph.D., of AFIP's staff have received the Army's research and development achievement awards... Succeeding retired Col. **Thayne F. McManis**, DC, USA at the Army's medical Field Service School, Col. **William D. Love**, DC, USA, has been appointed director of the department of dental science.



# Two Writers Win Freedom Awards

Two editorial writers for The Tribune are among 13 Eastbay recipients of 1967 awards announced last night by Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge.

Jerry Martin, chief editorial writer, won the Honor Certificate Award and Virgil Meibert won the George Washington Honor Medal Award. Martin has won awards from the foundation for the last three years.

The highest Freedoms Foundation honor, the George Washington Award, went to Frank J. Mrkva, a U.S. State Department administrator.

Mrkva was an undercover agent for the State Department for nearly five years. He exposed attempts of Czechoslovakian Communists to plant listening devices in the State Department.

Freedoms Foundation was founded in 1949 to promote the American way of life. Awards since then have totaled more than 15,000.

Among Eastbay winners, a teacher and her school in Oakland won recognition for a program aimed at developing responsible citizens.

Wilhelmenia H. Brown, fifth-grade teacher at Highland School, started the program after racial conflict at Castlemont High School in 1966.

"Feelings were high and if something were not done... a new generation instilled with hatred would be generated," she said. "These children needed something to be proud of, they needed to build a feeling of worth."

Mrs. Brown said her class started the program by reading about the lives of minorities that contributed to the growth of the United States.

"We also did short skits, learned songs and poems, art

work, articles from magazines and books, used film strips, wrote compositions and original poems and stories.

"Tensions eased and the relationships amongst the races changed," she said. "What we had not realized before was the fact that children need something to relate to."

For her leadership, Mrs. Brown was given the Valley Forge Teacher Medal Award. Highland School, for adopting the program, received the George Washington Honor Medal Award.

In last year's 100th Memorial Day observance, the Evergreen Memorial Day Program Committee depicted the various uniforms of the American soldier from the Civil to the Vietnam wars.

Co-sponsored by Evergreen Cemetery and Alameda County, the program won the George Washington Honor Medal Award for pointing out the sacrifices of American soldiers.

In the city of Alameda, St. Barnabas School won the Principal Award — the highest in competition among the schools — for a program celebrating a patriotic day each month in the 1966-67 school year.

This means a teacher and a student at the school will be able to participate in the "Valley Forge Pilgrimage."

Other Eastbay winners included Patrick Daly of San Leandro and Tom Conroy of Pleasant Hill. Both won George Washington Honor Medal Awards.

Daly, who came to the United States from Ireland in 1949, wrote about what America means to him and submitted the article to "Our Sunday Visitor," a weekly Catholic publication.

Conroy, public relations director at Rossmoor in Walnut Creek, warned that compla-

cency may result in the loss of America's rights and freedoms.

Winners from around the Eastbay also included a number of armed services personnel.

Lt. (j.g.) Sharon E. Kosch of Alameda, a nurse at Oakland Naval Hospital, said freedom must be earned by everyone, whether in military or civilian life. Her entry received the Honor Certificate Award.

Navy Lt. Allen R. Sherwood, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sherwood of Oakland, also won a Honor Certificate Award.

Another Oakland winner, of the George Washington Honor Medal Award, was Lt. Col. Winfield S. Williams.

Seaman George E. Portugal, whose parents live in San Lorenzo, and Pfc. Larry H. Jenkins of Richmond received similar awards.

Among personnel stationed around the Bay Area's military installations, winners included Navy CPO Merlyn A. Johnson of Moffett Field, and Airman 1 C. Lois J. Small and Maj. Jack D. Hegele, both of Hamilton Air Force Base.

Johnson, whose wife lives in Milpitas, wrote about Punchbowl National Cemetery at Honolulu where many of the graves of World War II and Korean War II dead are unknown.

Miss Small said freedom should be earned, by participating in government instead of demonstrating.

She stressed two other main points — that today's children will benefit tomorrow from safeguarding America's freedoms now, and that the foundation for freedom is being laid now in Vietnam.

"But the people there," she added, "have to work for their freedom too."

Hegele, in his entry, empha-

sized that sacrifices are needed to preserve democracy. All three won George Washington Honor Medal Awards.

There were many other winners from San Francisco, the rest of the Bay Area, and throughout the state.

William F. Knowland, editor and publisher of the Tribune, is among the foundation's trustees residing in California.

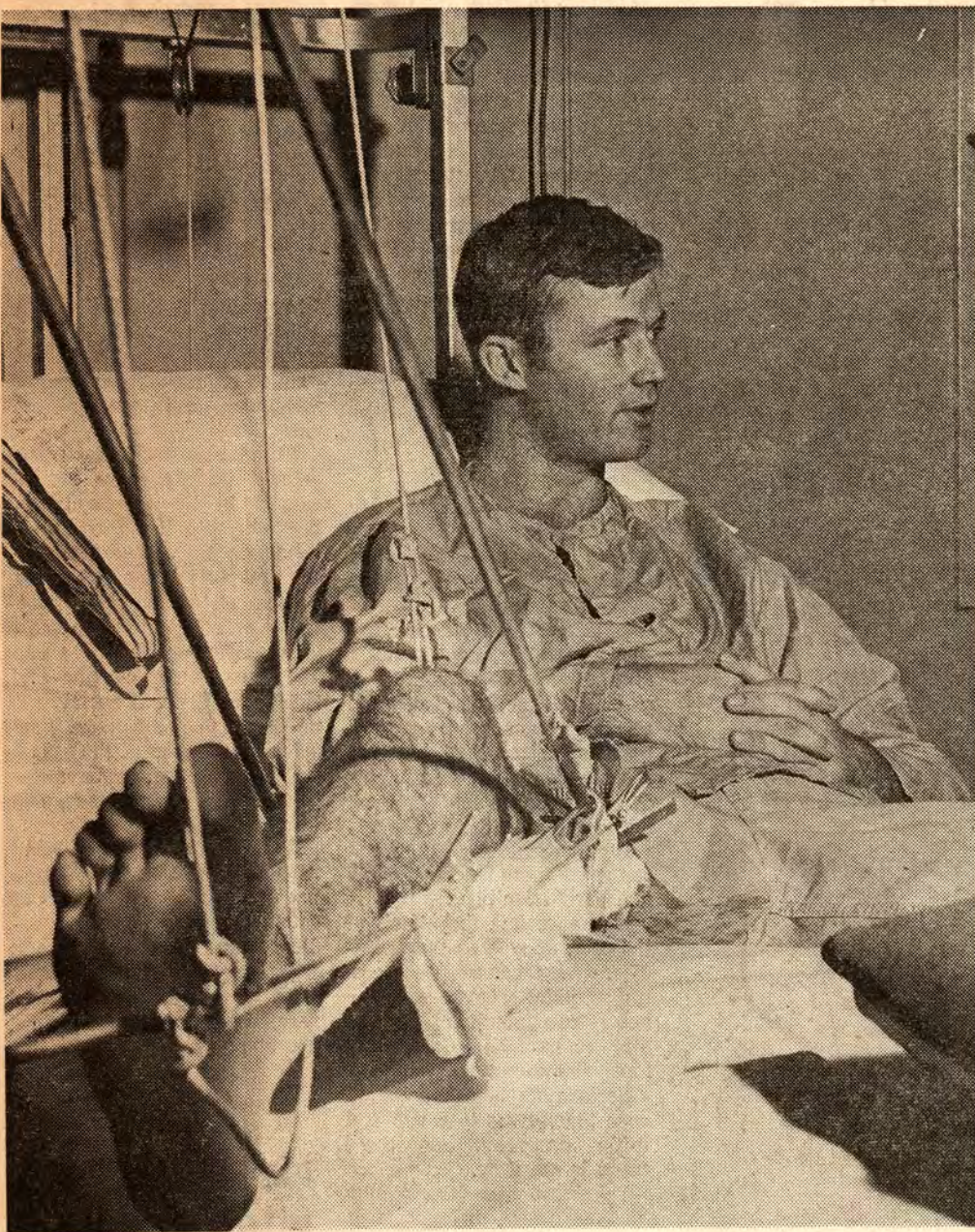




**AIR STATION GIFT**—Rear Admiral Edward P. Irons (seated) accepts gift of \$4,165.12 in cash for the purchase of television sets, and equipment to modernize present sets, for the Oakland Naval Hospital, which he commands. Making the presentation are

representatives of the Naval Air Re-work Facility at Naval Air Station, Alameda (from left), Mrs. Joyce Faulk, Miss Claire Gaddi, Abraham Levi, Chairman A. A. Dickenson, Jack Shorum and Roy C. Chapman.





(Times photos by Gene Tupper)

### Leg shattered — not hopes

Gary B. Wiltout's wound may keep him in the hospital through Christmas.



### Disc jockey plans

Thomas Fitzgerald says a jaw wound won't deter him.



### He could see for 20 years

Michael D. Reed is served birthday cake by his wife, Nancy, who is expecting their first child in February.

## 'I'm not hurt so bad—look at those guys'

# Wounded GIs shun pity, make plans for civilian future

By LEO HANDLEY

OAKLAND — Marine Cpl. Michael D. Reed smiled as his wife, Nancy, fed him a piece of white birthday cake topped with candy holly berries. He had just turned 21 in an orthopedic ward at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital. His eyes were fixed on her face but he couldn't see her. Nevertheless, he was happy. His wife was at his bedside. Christmas is coming. And he is back from that bloody ravine in South Vietnam.

It was there on Oct. 18 that he lost his eyesight and suffered major shrapnel wounds over much of his body and two broken legs. He was a rifleman on patrol with the 1st Marine Division in the Da Nang area.

His patrol was searching out caves in a ravine area for lurking Viet Cong. Reed said his buddy in front of him tripped a Claymore mine. "I guess I happened to be

looking right at it. It threw me into a tree."

He was flown to Oak Knoll Hospital three days later.

The war is over for Cpl. Reed and he's looking forward to Christmas.

"I guess we'll have a little dinner by ourselves," he said. "One of the nurses has invited us to dinner, but I don't think the wife is up to it."

#### EXPECTING BOY

Reed's wife, Nancy, 20, is expecting in February.

"It's going to be a boy — we've already decided," she said. If it is, his name will be Michael. If it should be a girl, which Reed said he wouldn't mind, either, her name will be Lisa Michelle.

Mrs. Reed, of Salem, Ore., arrived at the hospital Oct. 24, three days after her husband. She lives in a small apartment near the hospital and visits every day.

There are a thousand more GIs like Cpl. Reed at Oak Knoll, most of them sick and

wounded veterans of Vietnam. Many have lost arms or legs.

But despite the approaching holiday season when most thoughts turn to home and friends, spirit among the hospitalized GIs is high. Those who are able to go will be sent home for the holidays, a hospital aide explained. Those who can't leave probably will have visitors.

But several of the GIs said they would appreciate Christmas cards.

Cpl. Reed said he is not bitter about losing his eyesight.

"I think that maybe I gave up my eyes for my son — so he won't have to go. I think it is well worth it."

#### TEACHER

What does he plan for the future? "I would like to become a teacher for blind children. I've had 20 years when I was able to see. I think this could

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help the kids a lot. I like kids anyway."

Thomas F. Fitzgerald, 19, of Sacramento, was a fireman apprentice aboard the destroyer U.S.S. Mansfield when it was pursuing two Viet Cong supply boats off the Vietnam coast. A 100-millimeter mortar shell hit amidship and wounded Fitzgerald and a buddy and killed another.

He suffered shrapnel wounds in both legs, a broken arm, shattered jaw and multiple burns. The jaw wound, which will necessitate bone and dental replacement and plastic surgery, lends a lisp to Fitzgerald's speech.

But that doesn't stop him. He says he is going to become a disc jockey. "I plan to talk a little better when I get out of surgery. I'm going to learn the business when I get out of the Navy."

He plans to attend a junior college and then Sacramento State College in Sacramento.

Any regrets?

"No. We really had it pretty good. We used to stand offshore and see the shooting over on the beach. It was really rough on the Marines. We could see those guys shooting all the time.

"I'm not sorry. I knew I

was doing something. I had something to fight for."

#### LEG INJURY

Cpl. Gary Wiltout, 21, Concord, was a tank crew chief with the 1st Marine Division near Da Nang when he got hit in the thigh with a Communist 50-caliber slug. It shot away a three-inch section of the thigh bone. He awaits surgery and expects to walk again.

"We were on a search and destroy mission for five days. An ambush caught us in the middle of a rice paddy. We ran out of ammunition. I was reaching for another ammunition box when I got hit. It

felt like I bumped my leg. I didn't know I was hit until the guy below me yelled up that I was bleeding all over him.

"It was 9½ months before I got hit. It was just one of those things. I'm not sorry. I had to do my time just like anyone else.

"You should see some of those guys up in the infectious wound ward. They really got hurt. I think I'm pretty lucky."

Wiltout, unmarried, says he may not get home for Christmas but hopes to have visitors from his home town — and maybe a girl friend he met during his several months in the hospital.

"They came in here to visit us Halloween night," he said. "Several girls from Chabot College (in Hayward). They just wanted to cheer us up. She has been coming back."

#### ENGINEERING

Wiltout said after he begins walking again, possibly by next summer, he hopes to

attend Humboldt State College and study structural engineering.

The GI Bill provides four years of college and certain expenses for every GI who wants a higher education.

Lance Cpl. Fred H. King, 19, Concord, with the 3rd Marine Division near Dong Ha last August, knows what it is like to be shot by the U.S. Marines.

"I was on one of the killer teams. Each one patrols a grid square at night and kills anything that moves. One of the grids got messed up."

Somehow the boundaries of the grids overlapped. King said, and he and a buddy were shot by another Marine killer team. He was wounded in the abdomen by an M-16 rifle slug. He is able to be up and around the hospital but the wound is still open.

He said he feels cheated. "I wanted to stay over longer. I was only over there 30 days."





**NEW BOSS TAKES OVER**—Rear Adm. Edward P. Irons (right) and the man he succeeds, Rear Adm. Harold J. Cokely, take part in a change-of-com-

mand ceremony Saturday at the Oakland Naval Hospital. Admiral Cokely, who is retiring, received the Surgeon General's Certificate of Merit.



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ONE OF the cruelties towards parents in American society today, he feels, is the notion that all you need do to raise your children properly is to read the right books.

"Now it is assumed," he says, "that with the application of modern science to



CAPT. J. P. SEMMENS  
... symposium host

childrearing it is easy to raise children.

"If a parent makes a mistake, he feels that he is a failure. There is more pressure on parents than there ever was," says the sociologist.

"NO LONGER can a parent get off the hook by dismissing a troublesome child as 'the black sheep of the family'."

An astonishing change in the attitude of the newly pregnant was described by another distinguished speaker at the two-day symposium, Dr. Robert N. Rutherford, assistant professor of obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Washington School of Medicine, Seattle.

"The atmosphere in my office is unbelievably different," he reports. "It used to be filled with young women who were unhappy about their pregnancy, complaining about their symptoms and, at best, resigned to the inevitable."

NOW, he says, couples decide together that their marriage is mature enough for them to have a child, so they have one.

Why the change?

It's the pill, says Dr. Rutherford. Nearly 100 per cent reliable, the pill is now being used by increasing numbers of American women, with recent estimates as high as 16 million.

A FEW years ago, says the Seattle obstetrician, it was not uncommon for his nurse to



DR. R. N. RUTHERFORD  
... happy mothers-to-be



DR. CLARK E. VINCENT  
... cruelty to parents?

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hang up the telephone after a conversation with an unhappy pregnant patient.

Another "Oh, godamit" baby, she would report.

But this doesn't happen nearly so frequently now.

All of the participants in the symposium are contributors to "Teen Sex Counseling," soon to be published by MacMillan Co., and written by two prominent figures at the symposium.

THEY ARE Capt. James P. Semmens, USN Medical

Corps, chief of obstetrics and gynecology at Oakland Naval Hospital and one of the country's foremost authorities on family life education, and Dr. Kermit E. Krantz, chairman of the department of gynecology and obstetrics at the University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City, Kan.

Directed toward physicians, the symposium was directed by Dr. Semmens and Dr. W. Dieter Bergman, president of the Alameda County Gynecological Society.



# Reagan Thanks Vets

SACRAMENTO (AP) — A group of young Vietnam veterans, some with a hook for a hand and empty space where their arm or leg used to be, were thanked by Governor Reagan yesterday for "defending our freedom."

The governor told the group that those who wave picket signs against the war "don't speak for the majority of us. The rest of us are so proud of what you've done that we'll never be able to properly express it . . ."

He spoke to a group of about 20 soldiers, Marines and sailors from Oakland Naval Hospital, here for a visit sponsored by the State Veterans Affairs Department.

Reagan, obviously moved by the sight of the young men — many of them amputees — expressed his "joy that all of you are home for the holidays." He said he was "sure you share the wish that this could be true of all the fellows you left behind over there."

His voice hoarse with the start of a cold, the governor got a long standing ovation from the servicemen and a group of older veterans treating them to lunch at a bar 15 floors above the street overlooking the Capitol.

As the governor walked back to the Capitol, he was preceded up the steps by a shapely young woman — Mrs. David Cowan — in tight green ski pants and bright blue jacket trying to lift a baby carriage with a child in it. The governor's two bodyguards took over the chore, while Reagan held the door open.

Earlier, the veterans had toured the Capitol and heard State Treasurer Ivy Baker Priest declare "we're behind you."

Later, the governor put on his heavy winter coat and ven-



**NAVAL HOSPITAL PATIENTS VISIT GOVERNOR**  
Cpl. Richard Lee leans back for better look.—(AP)

tured into a biting wind on the Capitol steps to watch a California flag raised which had been flown in Vietnam.

The flag, looking very much like it had been under fire 105 times as reported,

was presented by the 11th U.S. Naval Construction Battalion, or Seabees.

Reagan told the small group that Californians are "very proud" of their men in Vietnam.





**THEY GOT THE LIMIT**—These wounded Vietnam veterans, from Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, Oakland, and Letterman General Hospital, in San Francisco, were guests of the Tracy Chamber of Commerce military affairs committee Saturday for the opening of pheasant season.

They got their limit of ringnecks as the photo shows. The veterans are (front row, left to right) Lupe Arrellano, Shelly Ellis, John W. Norman, Thomas Jourdan (back row) Joe Tiago, Richard Rose, Tony Traina, Richard Baity, and Patrick Shing.





# HERB CAEN



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TRADER VIC flew down to L.A. the other dawn to make a speech at 7 a.m. before the exclusive Jonathan Club. "It was a short speech," he reports, "because I've never tried to talk at that hour. I was supposed to speak for 30 minutes and I spent the first 20 clearing my throat" . . . Although he has his own twin-engine plane and pilot, Vic flew down commercial. He had turned over his plane that day to a 20-yr.-old patient at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, who lost both legs (below the knee) in Vietnam, and who wanted to go home to Billings, Montana, for Christmas. He got there in style . . . Vic, who lost a leg years ago, has spent a lot of time with this young veteran. One night he said to him: "Now, kid, don't you worry about your legs. You'll be okay. I only have one leg and I can hunt and fish and dance — everything. Don't worry about girls, either. If you find the right girl, it won't make any difference" . . . "That, sir," grinned the young man shyly, "I've found out already!"

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## Jack Rosenbaum

### A Few Phone Calls . . .

Christmas Story: While young Navy seaman Carl Harnishfeger, wounded aboard a destroyer off Vietnam, underwent a leg amputation at Oak Knoll Friday, his distraught wife paced the corridor. Jack Block, visiting another patient, learned she had no place to stay and practically no money. She had left two small children in San Diego with their grandmother. Block made a few phone calls to the right people and, in the spirit of the season, some wondrous things happened.

PSA flew the children and their grandmother to Oakland . . . Paul Handlery gave the family a suite of rooms, including meals, at the Lake Merritt Hotel . . . And Yellow Cab arranged free transportation to and from Oak Knoll. Merry Christmas.

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**CHRISTMAS PRESENT** — Los Angeles Artist George Michaud (right) presents Seaman Terry Kenyon with his portrait as Jeannie Wilson, Los Angeles residents sketched portraits of patients at Oakland Naval Hospital during 'Operation Art for Armed Services.' She originated the idea of doing





It looks like it ought to be the other way around but the young men on the right are actually the recipients of Christmas gifts made by the little Santa's helpers at left. First graders at Lazear School Cindy Trujillo and Donny Wysinger present puppets and ashtrays made by classmates to patients at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital Bob Michaud and John Biel (right), both Vietnam war veterans.





## Guy Wright

# Secondhand Pen

Moving slowly, they walked down the corridor to the mayor's inner office. Frank Curley went first, hardly using his cane.

Then came First Sgt. Bill Semons, on crutches. Then Airman Charles Ray Price. Or maybe Gunnery Sgt. Joe Peczeli was next: the order doesn't matter. Pete Pulis was in the group, too, recently a lance corporal, now a civilian first class.

There were a dozen or so other people — well-dressed women, VIPs, military officers dripping gold braid.

**But the five I've named were the important ones, because they limped.**

Four of the five limped because they had left part of themselves behind in Vietnam. Sergeants Semons and Peczeli were wounded in the fighting at the Demilitarized Zone.

Airman Price was rushing forward with a fire hose on the blazing U.S.S. Forrestal when a bomb blew up in his face.

Regular readers of this column already know what happened to Pete Pulis when that gust of wind caught the helicopter with him dangling from the recovery rope.

The fifth man, Frank Curley, drew his unlucky number half a world and a half a century away — in France in World War I.

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**WITH ALL** the talk these days about the generation gap, you might expect the remoteness of Curley's war to isolate him from the young veterans of Vietnam, but it didn't turn out that way. Blood is thicker than water, especially blood shed in battle.

But I'm forgetting to tell you what they were doing in the mayor's office. They had come to watch the mayor give Frank Curley a secondhand fountain pen.

"From our mutual friend," Mayor Shelley explained.

He meant from the President of the United States.

And "mutual friend" was no exaggeration. Back in the days when Jack Shelley and Lyndon Johnson were fellow Congressmen, Frank Curley had twisted their arms on more than one occasion — twisted their arms and won their respect and friendship.

**For when Curley twisted arms, it was never for himself, always for some other disabled veteran.**

It started in that long ago war when he got sore at the way a blinded buddy was being treated in the military hospital where they both were patients. Curley got out of bed and led his friend into the hospital director's office, a case of the half-blind leading the blind, for Curley had lost an eye himself.

He got that fellow's troubles straightened out, and he has been doing the same for others ever since — for years as service officer of the Disabled American Veterans and, since his retirement, as plain Frank Curley, battler of red tape.

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**COUNTLESS VETERANS** of both World Wars, Korea and now Vietnam owe him a debt of gratitude. And if Congress ever passes the Pete Pulis Bill — the one to bridge the financial gap when a disabled veteran is first discharged — a large chunk of the credit will go to Frank Curley.

**But about that secondhand fountain pen. It has been used only once, by President Johnson, to sign a bill that will give amputee veterans of Vietnam \$1600 toward a specially equipped auto.**

Curley worked long and hard for that bill, twisting arms, making friends, once shaming a senator who complained about the cost.

So the President sent Curley the pen, because he damned well deserved it.



# 2 'Lucky' Wounded Get a Yule Break

By LESTER ON

Marine Cpl. Gary B. Wiltrout, 21, of Concord, is lucky and he knows it. Here's his story on what happened to him in Vietnam:

"I was with the 1st Armored Co. We were in Operation Arizona about 25 miles south of Da Nang at a village. We were trying to sweep the Viet Cong out of the area.

"On the fifth day of the operation, we were moving across a rice paddy when we got hit from both sides. I guess that's it. A helicopter came in and took us out."

Actually, that isn't the whole story because Wiltrout was crew chief aboard one of the tanks in the operation.

When his tank was hit, Wiltrout — luckily — was reaching for a fresh box of ammunition and was wounded on the right leg.

"I imagine if I wasn't lifting myself out at that time," he says, "I would have gotten it in the belly. King of a stroke of luck, I guess."

When Wiltrout first came to Oakland Naval Hospital, he was put in the amputee ward and realized how fortunate he was.

"I spend a lot of time in bed (since June)," he says — "but I've still got my whole body."



**GARY B. WILTROUT**  
'A stroke of luck'

Marine Lance Cpl. Fred King, 19, is also from Concord and lucky. And he actually got hit in the stomach.

The irony is that King was hit by another Marine "killer team" which was also in the same area probably because coordinates of their grid areas got mixed up.

"The other killer team thought that they were surrounded by the enemy," King says, "and they thought the

quickest way out was through us.

"Four shots were fired. Two hit me in the stomach. One grazed my stomach and hit another guy."

Altogether, three Marines were shot in the mix-up before the teams recognized each other as Marines.

King, although not up to his normal weight of 155 pounds, is up and around. When he came back to the United States, he weighed 106 pounds. Wounds of the other two Marines also were minor.

"Doctors have told me," he said, "that when they fix me up I'll be just as good as normal. They say the most important thing for me to do is to gain weight."

King says the combat conditions in Vietnam changes practically everyone who's sent over there.

"A kid who's never seen combat matures a lot more in two days there than a whole year in the states.

"You learn to grow up fast. Sometimes your decision can cost the lives of other people if you don't make the right decision."

"The guys over there," King added, "are like brothers. There's no discrimination because of race, creed or color. They can save your life and you can save theirs."

Lance Cpl. Harold Frazier, 21, of Arvada, Colo., was not as lucky as Wiltrout or King.

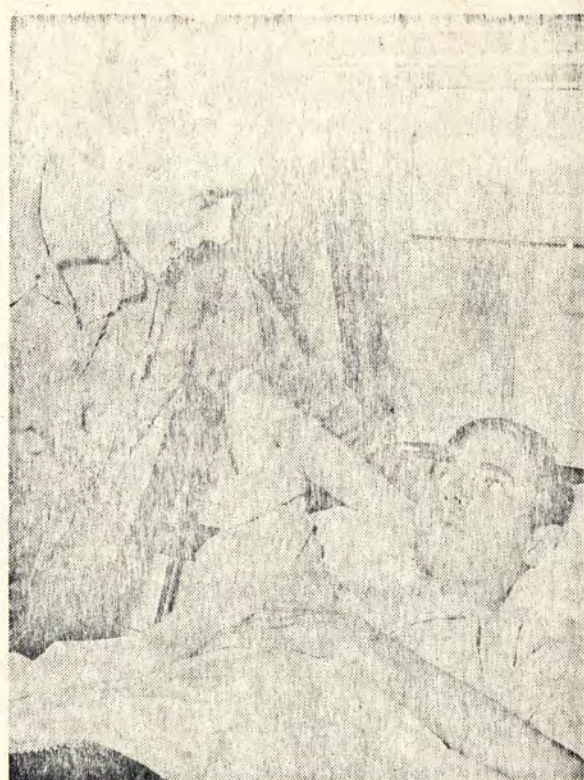
"On May 1," he says, "we were in Operation Hickory in the De-Militarized Zone. I was with the 1st Battalion, 3rd Marines.

"We were walking three platoons on a line when we started receiving small sniper fire. Then the fire became increasingly heavier. There were snipers on our left flank and that was how I got hit."

The bullet struck Frazier from the back and went through the lower right part of his hip. "Another one creased my right side but didn't penetrate," he says.

Frazier figures he'll be able to have limited use of his right leg but he expects to stay in the hospital for another seven or eight months.

Asked if he regretted his in-



**MARINE VETS AT OAKLAND NAVAL HOSP**  
Corporals Fred King and Harold Frazier

jury, Frazier replied: "Well, in a way you can't regret it. You have to look at it this way — that you were doing your job and you were trying to do your best."

Wiltrout, King and Frazier are just three of the patients at Oakland Naval Hospital who will benefit from the 44th annual campaign of the Veterans Hospitals' Christmas Committee.

Patients at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Livermore also will receive gifts that will be financed by contributions.

The goal this year is \$20,450. The total received so far is \$18,973, still short of the goal.



# Yule for Wounded Marine

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Connell of Kearns, Utah, are going to celebrate Christmas twice on Christmas Day, thanks to the Oakland and San Leandro AMVETS posts.

The Connells will unwrap presents with their six younger children in the morning at home and in the afternoon fly to Oakland to see their eldest son, Marine Pfc. Steven Connell, 20.

Steve has been on the "serious" list with a severe head wound at Oakland Naval Hospital since June 30, when he was flown to the States after a month on the U.S. hospital ship Repose.

"He wanted to be a Marine so bad," his mother told The Tribune from Kearns. "He was afraid he'd be drafted and he didn't want anything but the Marines. So he joined Oct. 3, 1966 and arrived in Vietnam March 20."

Two months later—May 21—while on patrol he was shot in the head by a sniper.

"He's never been away from home at Christmas before," his mother said wistfully.

The younger Connell children—Tammy at 3½ is the baby—will be cared for by the three teen-age daughters for the three days Mr. and Mrs. Connell are here.

They last saw Steve the day after he arrived in Oakland.

"He was able to say 'Hi' then," Mrs. Connell recalled. "But a week later he took a turn for the worse."

It has only been within the past month that he has shown indications of awareness of things around him, hospital officials said.

AMVETS officers from Oakland Post No. 44 called the Connells Tuesday night to invite them here to see their son, as guests of "Operation Sleighride."

This annual project usually sends young veterans home for the holidays—and will pay travel expenses for 12 to 15 men again this year—but Steve's was a special case.

"We're just so grateful to them," Mrs. Connell said. "We were thrilled to death."

She said they plan to stay here three days, spending as much time with their gravely ill son as possible.

And at the hospital, a spokesman expressed the tentative hope that their visit might speed his recovery.

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## SCENE BY THE SIDELINES

## Oak Knoll Bowlers Tied for Sixth

The Oak Knoll Men's Bowling team comprised of Snyder, Thurman, Seamans, Jucutan, DeMello, Naylor, and Wickerd are currently tied with NavComSta Stockton for sixth place in the 12ND Bowling League with 12 wins and 21 losses.

Seamans of Oak Knoll is sporting high average for the team with a blistering 173 average in 24 games followed closely by Jucutan with a 170 in 18 games.

## 11th WEEK RESULTS

Team No.	Team Name	Won	Lost	Average	Team Pins	H.G.	H.S.
4	MARE ISLAND	24	9	877	28945	1049	2785
8	SKAGGS ISLAND	22	11	869	28691	958	2739
2	NAS ALAMEDA	22	11	861	28422	1030	2790
5	MOFFETT FIELD	21	12	886	29248	1030	2917
7	TREASURE ISLAND	18	15	847	27956	941	2681
3	HUNTERS POINT	16	17	838	27676	967	2767
9	OAK KNOLL	12	21	812	26826	913	2609
1	NAVCOMSTA STOCKTON	12	21	800	26421	902	2578
6	TRACON COAST GUARD	11	22	800	24004	891	2497
10	NWS CONCORD	7	26	777	25657	872	2478

## KNOLL BOWLERS' AVERAGES

SNYDER	159	21	3353	1
THURMAN	144	15	2165	
SEAMANS	173	24	4152	2
JUCUTAN	170	18	3070	
DEMELLO	157	18	2838	
NAYLOR	151	15	2278	2
WICKERD	168	21	3353	1

## GOOD NEWS FOR BASKETBALL PLAYERS!

The gymnasium has just been freshly painted and will be ready for play Monday. The hospital WILL be forming a station basketball team to enter the 12ND Tournament to be held at Moffett Field 29 January to 3 February. Call the Director of Athletics at Ext. 593 for information and/or practice period reservations.

## VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT COMING UP

Men's and Women's Volleyball teams are getting back into training for the upcoming 12ND tournament to be held at NAS, Alameda. The men's tournament will be held 12-13 March. The women will compete sometime in February, the exact date still to be set.

## Seals Hockey Tickets At Special Services

Tickets for all home games played by the Seals Hockey team may be purchased for the discount price of 50 cents. Tickets may be purchased from Special Services.

Did you hear about the Texan who received a statement from his bank pertaining to a check he had recently written. The note read: INSUFFICIENT FUNDS . . . Not yours. Ours!



Ten HNs completed the six-month Operating Room Technician course on 5 January. The graduates are, front row, left to right: James B. Vinson, Michael A. Chambers, Thomas N. Marsh, Teresa M. Moore, James F. Schaupp, and HM1 Jesse Clark, enlisted instructor. In the second row are: James A. White, Robert H. Burfield, Gregory J. Welsh, Danny P. McCain, and Douglas R. Stokes.



Preventive Medicine Technician Class #46 completed its 22-week course 8 December. The graduates are, from left to right: in the front row, HMC H. D. Hutchison, HMC H. H. Dabbs, HMC R. E. Crippen, HMC F. M. Thompson, HMC A. R. Hosking, HMC D. H. Ostroski, HMC R. J. Davis, and HMC C. L. Randolph. In the second row: HM1 D. L. Durrant, HM1 C. E. Adams, HM2 W. P. Sancet, HM1 J. M. Keenan, HM1 E. L. Bridges, HM2 R. L. Moor, and HM1 P. F. Sheridan. In the top row: HM2 J. V. Bartlett, HM2 J. B. Brudnock, HM1 F. O. Bowling, HM1 A. D. Fortes, HM2 F. E. Barnett, HM1 C. E. Alberti, HM2 B. H. Washington, and HM2 T. A. McCarty.

## Revised Vehicle Laws Reviewed

Laws passed by the State Legislature in 1967 should be carefully studied by all who operate motor vehicles. They are summarized here for the convenience of all patients and staff.

**ACCIDENT REPORT REQUIRED**  
Drivers of all cars involved must report an accident to the Department of Motor Vehicles if property damage amounts to more than \$200—an increase from \$100.

## SUPPLY CORPS B-DAY TO BE CELEBRATED 19 FEBRUARY AT NAS

The 173rd Birthday of the Navy Supply Corps, which occurs 23 February, will be celebrated locally 19 February with a cocktail-buffet at the Alameda Naval Air Station Officers' Club.

The event will last from 1830 to 2100. Dress will be informal evening attire. Tickets are \$2.50 per person, \$5 per couple.

Coordinator for sale of tickets to Oak Knoll personnel is LCDR Gary B. Thomas, SC, USN. He may be reached at Naval Supply Center, Oakland, 466-5857.

## VITAL INFO

When Missouri's new records management agency started gathering up old death certificates to photograph for compact storage, some unusual causes of death were noted. Among them:

"Went to bed feeling well, but woke up dead."

"Died suddenly. Nothing serious."

"Don't know. Died without the aid of a physician."

"Blow on head with an ax. Contributory cause, another man's wife."

"Had never been fatally ill before."

—Pulse on Patient Relations

## FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

The owner of an automobile involved in an accident can show financial responsibility by providing insurance coverage at following minimums:

Injury or death of one person: \$15,000 (was \$10,000); of two or more persons: \$30,000 (was \$20,000); property damage: \$5,000 (no change)

A deposit with the state of up to \$35,000 (formerly \$25,000) is specified as establishing proof of ability to respond in damages. This act is effective July 1, 1968.

## REGISTRATION FEE INCREASE

It now costs \$3.00 (formerly \$2.00) to record change of ownership of a vehicle or to obtain a duplicate registration card or replace stolen, damaged, or lost license plates. More than 30 days' delay in recording an ownership transfer raises the fee to \$6.00.

## VEHICLE REGISTRATION CARD

A vehicle registration card need no longer be visibly displayed in or on the vehicle, but must be kept with the vehicle and presented to a peace officer on demand.

## DUPLICATE LICENSES FOR MINORS

A minor's application for a duplicate driver's license (as well as for the original driver's license) must be signed by both parents, or parent, guardian, or person having custody.

## SPEED LIMITS RAISED

A speed limit of 55 miles per hour (formerly 50 mph) applies to a passenger vehicle towing a trailer; or to a school bus, farm labor bus, truck with three or more axles or vehicle carrying explosives.

## TRAILER PARKING

No trailer coach, housecar or vehicle equipped with a camper may be parked upon any highway at night except in an area designated to permit such parking or during emergency repairs.

## EFFECT OF "YIELD" SIGN

When complying with YIELD sign, driver shall not enter highway or intersection at a speed greater than 15 miles per hour.

## TAMPERING WITH MILEAGE METER

It is unlawful to disconnect, turn back or reset the mileage meter of any motor vehicle, or drive while it is disconnected, with the intent to deceive or defraud.

## NOISE LIMITS

Maximum noise levels, as registered on a decibel meter, have been established for all vehicles. Most vehicles in normally good condition, operating in a normal manner and using unmodified mufflers, should have no difficulty complying with the law.

## MISCELLANEOUS

It is unlawful to drive under the influence of toluene (glue) fumes or other chemicals classed as poisons.

A dealer may not sell a 1962 or later model used car without front seat safety belts.

Identification plates must be attached to every piece of special construction, mobile and cemetery equipment (examples: air compressors, cement mixers, asphalt heaters).

All motor vehicles subject to California registration, except motorcycles, must have two rear view mirrors, one attached to the left hand side.

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## Frazier Gets a B in History



Ronald Bishop of the Oakland Board of Education and Evening School System recently delivered L/CPL Harold Frazier, USMC, his report card, showing he had made a B in his bedside course in U. S. Government and History. HM1 Diamond, center, of PMT School was also among nine Knollites who completed the course last term.

Classes are held in the 75B solarium for patients and staff Tuesdays and Thursdays at 0930 and 1330, and bedside teaching is arranged for those who cannot go to the classroom.

With sufficient high school units, including those received for military service, these courses entitle the student to a diploma. If the student hasn't enough units, a passing grade in the GED tests and completion of these courses can lead to a diploma.

A new class has just been formed. For further information, call Red Cross or report to 75B at one of the times mentioned above.



## Allen and Rossi to Perform On the Wards Wednesday

The well-known comedy team of Allen and Rossi will visit the orthopedic wards Wednesday afternoon. The stars, Marty Allen, the wild-haired, "Hello-Dere," comic, and Steve Rossi, a talented singer and straight-man, have appeared in many night-clubs and on various television shows. The National Broadcasting Company is sponsoring the tour which will cover eight military medical facilities all over the nation, as arranged by the Surgeon General of the Navy. Allen and Rossi will return in late February, when they will perform in the auditorium.

## RADM McCuddin Heads ComTwelve

RADM Leo B. McCuddin, USN, assumed command of the Twelfth Naval District and Naval Base, San Francisco, Tuesday in ceremonies at Treasure Island.

He succeeds RADM William H. Groverman, who has been serving as ComTwelve in addition to his primary duty as Commander, Western Sea Frontier. Admiral Groverman will continue in the latter command.

The new commandant was CO of the Alameda-based carrier USS RANGER in Vietnamese waters during the first six months of 1966 and since that time has served in the Bureau of Naval Personnel, Department of the Navy.

The new commandant will pay his first official visit to Oak Knoll Monday when he conducts an area coordination review.

## "Be Proud . . . It's For His Country"

Last July while HN Gary Meredith was a corpsman on 76A, he wrote a letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dorien F. Meredith of Fremont—a letter to be opened in the event of his death. In November he left for Vietnam, and in less than two months, the letter was opened. Meredith was killed 2 January in action near Quang Nam.

"Dear Folks," the bereaved parents read. "When you read this I will have died without any fear of what is to come, for I have done what I think is more important than living, that being fighting for my country and its ideas."

"Maybe I have died at a young age, but I died with definite beliefs and I am not sorry for standing up and fighting for them."

"I died trying to bring the world to a state which is free and safe for others in the hope that they will not have to go through what I have gone through," the 21-year-old corpsman's letter continued.

Gary had a premonition about death, and his letter was filled with words of comfort and love for his parents, his brothers, and the girl he had planned to marry.

"I want you to know," he wrote, "that it was expected by me and accepted."

The letter concluded: "Some day all of us will be together again for eternity. I send my love to you all and say, 'Be proud, not sorry. It is for his country, the greatest country and the greatest people ever!'"

Meredith is remembered by LCDR Julia E. Pickering and others of the Orthopedic Service as "an excellent corpsman—kind and thoughtful." And his best friend at the hospital, HN Marc Adams, who served as a pallbearer at the funeral Tuesday, described him as "a quiet fellow with a fine head on his shoulders."

Two other Oak Knoll corpsmen, HNs Bob Edmonds and Tony Grygelko also were pallbearers.

## Edna Retires with Meritorious Civilian Service Award



Edna Bourdase receives the Navy's Meritorious Civilian Service Award from Admiral Irons upon her retirement following 25 years of service to the hospital.

Administrative Officers come and go, but Edna Bourdase, who served as secretary to every AO Oak Knoll has ever had, might have gone on forever had not ill health forced her retirement, effective 9 January.

Every AO for whom Mrs. Bourdase worked since she joined the staff 16 November 1942 rated her outstanding in quality, quantity, and adaptability. But "loyalty" was the word most frequently used to describe her. Besides a sort of fierce loyalty that kept her working, often against her doctor's advice, Edna had a great desire to work in the new building. ("When you begin your career in a cracker box, you want to finish it in a permanent building.")

Edna's work, which included typing much of the command correspondence regarding the new construction, was officially recognized last Thursday when Admiral Irons presented her the Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Award.

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### THE FRIENDSHIP OF CHRIST JESUS

When I was a boy, I had a friend named Jay. He was older than I and much bigger. One day when I was returning home from school, some older boys were teasing and chasing me and trying to fight with me. I was glad to see Jay come running and chase the boys home. You can imagine how I liked my friend Jay.

As I grew older, I helped my friend Leonard, a farmer. He farmed the prairie land, grew corn, and baled hay. He let me ride on his tractor with him and let me shuck corn. I worked for him in the hay field and rode in the hay truck. Although I worked hard, I liked my friend Leonard. He was kind to me and gave me recognition.

When I was in college, I had a friend named Reiji. He was an American-born Japanese from California. We roomed together, shared our lives as young ministerial students, and prayed together. He even lent me his car to drive a girl home from a church social. (She is now my wife.) I liked my friend Reiji.

In these three friends I see illustrated the friendship of Jesus. He came when I was helpless, a prey to sin, chased by the enemy Satan, and rescued me. After He rescued me, He put me to work in His harvest field. He gave meaning and purpose to my life. In my day-to-day walk with Jesus, He has supplied my needs, stayed close to my side, and has been faithful to me even when I have been unfaithful. He has shared the unsearchable riches of Heaven. He shares Himself and all that He has with me. His strength is my strength. His glory is my glory.

"Can anything separate us from the love of Christ? Can trouble, pain or persecution? Can lack of clothes and food, danger to life and limb, the threat of force of arms? Indeed some of us know the truth of that ancient text: For Thy sake we are killed all the day long; We were counted as sheep for the slaughter. No, in all these things we win an overwhelming victory through Him Who has proved His love for us. I have become absolutely convinced that neither Death nor Life, neither messenger of heaven nor monarch of earth, neither what happens today nor what may happen tomorrow, neither a power from on high nor a power from below, nor anything else in God's whole world has any power to separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord!" (Romans 8:35-39, Phillips Translation)

CHAPLAIN HOMER L. SCHNICK, USN



S/SGT and Mrs. Norbert Olbrantz left the Oak Knoll chapel under an arch of swords, following the 20 December afternoon wedding. The bridegroom, a Vietnam casualty, is now an out-patient at the hospital. Mrs. Olbrantz, the former Miss Georgianna O'Neil of Fremont, wore a white lace gown and carried red, white and blue carnations. Following a reception at the CPO Club the newlyweds honeymooned at Lake Tahoe. They will reside in the East Bay.



Project 49 Photo  
AMONG THE MANY who played Santa Claus to patients at Christmas were members of the Auxiliary of VFW Union Labor Post 1917, who presented three television sets and 50 ballpoint pens. Mrs. Norma Kent, president, Mrs. Elizabeth Berry, and Mrs. Annabelle Carpenter delivered the gifts to AN Tilford Lambert, AO3 Matthew Johnson, and PFC George McGuffich. At right is HM2 Aubrey Burris, who escorted the visitors.



New at Crew's Library:

### SENATOR'S LADY by Shirley Seifert

The lady is Addie Cutts of Washington. The Senator is the 'Little Giant,' Stephen Douglas. The time is the tragic decade of the 1850's when men of goodwill tried to avert the coming Civil War. The climax for the senator comes in his debates with Abraham Lincoln, though the story is essentially one of Stephen Douglas and Addie Cutts.

### THE 28TH DAY OF ELUL by Richard Elman

The story opens in Israel where Alex Yagodah lives. An American lawyer notifies him that he stands to inherit a good deal of money if he can say that he has remained a Jew. His answer is the substance of THE 28TH DAY OF ELUL: a powerful and bitter memoir of his youth in provincial Hungary at the time of the Nazi occupation.

### PLAYBOY BOOK OF CRIME AND ADVENTURE

These stories differ from the usual story of T.V., screen and magazines because they recognize that there is a non-conformist part in all of us that hopes that retribution isn't as inevitable as the run-of-the-mill detective novels would have us believe.

### GUIDE TO ADVENTURE by Jim Thorne

A rich blend of travel and sports guide, the book is chock-full of off-beat adventure as well as popular recreational activities in settings from Canada to Mexico. Jim Thorne, who has done everything, from hunting to skydiving, gives expert tips on equipment, where to do it, how to do it and what it will cost. For families about to discover the U.S.A. there is a separate section listing recreational highlights in all fifty states.

### THE SPARROWS by Fred Bodsworth

"The hunter's instinct took command. Don't move yet . . . feign death a little longer . . . left hand holding the half-raised bow, right fingers gripping the arrow and bowstring." The hunter is Jacob Atook, a Canadian Indian caught in the snowbound reaches of the Hudson Bay lowland. And yet in this encounter Jacob discovers the nobility of life in the face of violent nature and the eye of death.

### WILLIAM JAMES by Gay Allen Wilson

This great American psychologist and philosopher, who died in 1910, was in many ways a 20th Century man. In this, the first full scale biography in more than 30 years, the author has treated in

## KNOW YOUR STAFF



LT Diane Agrell recently reported aboard after completing one year of duty at the small station hospital at Kodiak, Alaska, followed by a 10-day vacation in Japan.

"I decided to go to Japan because the culture is so different from that of America and I love Japanese food. I stayed in the large cities, such as Tokyo. The people were extremely polite and helpful in every way," observed the pretty nurse.

A lover of skiing, Miss Agrell is looking forward to spending some time at the California ski resorts. "Although snow fell often on Kodiak, it was blown off the island by the gusty winds," she explained.

Miss Agrell, a native of New York City, took her training at Mary Immaculate Hospital in Jamaica, New York. "I joined the Navy in 1961 with the hope that it would be an interesting and exciting life and because I wanted a chance to travel," she recalled.

She will make her home in Oakland and will start work in OR next month after completing orientation.

depth the searching skeptical temperament, the interest in the practical aspects of life and in social causes and the responsiveness to new ideas, sensations and experiences that make William James a man of our time.

## Lions Club Provides Airport to Knoll Rides for Patients

Free transportation from Oakland Airport to Oak Knoll is now available for patients, their parents, and wives.

This service is being provided through the courtesy of the International Airport Lions Club.

Patients are urged to let their families know that on arrival at the airport they may contact Yellow Cab through the airport switchboard. Yellow Cab provides the transportation. The Lions Club pays the bill.

## Shock Specimens Flown from Vietnam For CIC Studies

A Very Important Box — all the way from Vietnam — was recently flown into NARTU Alameda and to the waiting hands of LCDR R. L. Abrams, Director of the Clinical Investigation Center here.

The box contained biological specimens taken directly from men on the frontlines that had received severe wounds and had gone into shock.

The box, its precious contents frozen, was delivered by LCDR C. T. Covill, Public Affairs Officer, Naval Air Reserve Training Unit, NAS, Alameda.

This was the final leg for the box, far from the wounded men on the battlefield. The specimens were taken by the Shock Research Unit, Naval Support Activity, Da-nang, and flown by the Military Airlift Command (MAC) into Norden Air Force Base near San Bernardino.

The call went out for a jet pilot and Lieutenant Commander Covill flew the T-33 from NARTU and back in the same amount of time it took LCDR Abrams to drive from Oak Knoll to NAS, Alameda.

"Our team at Oak Knoll," LCDR Abrams stated, "is studying the dynamics of metabolism in shock. Using radioisotopes and other advanced methods in tracking down the chemical reactions," he went on, "we are finding surprising new facts about shock."

LCDR Abrams added that the results of the findings will have a long-range effect, since they will be put to use in civilian life in the treatment of traffic accident victims, burn cases, and any other injury that induces shock.

Since this release was received, Lieutenant Commander Covill was killed when his plane crashed during a routine training flight between NAS, Alameda, and Fallon, Nev.

## Edna

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Award—the highest honor a Commanding Officer can pay a civilian employee.

The handsome certificate, pin, and accompanying letter containing the Navy's "Well Done" and best wishes for many years of happiness in her well-earned retirement were presented in the CO's office before a large group of her friends and fellow workers, including her husband, Henry, who retired from his job at the Pharmacy several months ago.

## Scuttlebutt

SCENES FROM THE PAS-SAGEWAY PARADE: HMCs Donovan Hofer, PMT instructor, and Richard R. Teich, PMT students, and HM1 Joe Iosefa signing on the dotted line. Chief Hofer, who made HMC at Oak Knoll in July '66 and already has been in 15½, reenlisted for 6. Chief Teich, with nearly 20 already served, reenlisted for another four. Iosefa of the Biochemistry Lab was sworn in for another 6, which will bring him to 19. . . .

CIVILIAN-NAVY MERGER: Mrs. Sylvia Lord of staff Personnel's Civil Readjustment section on 22 December became Mrs. Eugene Kaiser. Her husband, an HMCS now serving aboard USS MARKAB, was on duty in Oak Knoll's Data Processing Division when they met. Said blonde Sylvia happily, "My three daughters are just as delighted as I am."

IT BROKE THE MONOTONY ANYWAY: Back in December HM3 Greg Nichols and CPL James Arwick were summoned to the Public Affairs office to be interviewed by a Wall Street Journal reporter about how the mail came through to them in Vietnam. "Great! Exactly what I wanted!" said the reporter. Days passed, everybody looking for the story—which never appeared. The first week of January TIME Magazine sent a reporter to get the Vietnam veteran's views on anti-war demonstrations, civil rights, and such things. Again Nichols cooperated, as did G/SGT Russell W. Curtis and PFC Arthur Coleman of 76B and PFC Thomas Haller, USMC, of 75B. "Great fellows," said the reporter, "but I can't tell you what will become of the story." Nothing did.

LIFE BEGAN on 5 January for George Randall Williams, 5 lb. 8 oz. son of HN George Williams of 70A and wife Maria.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: HM3 Ted Eichele of 76B: "The mine I stepped on didn't work very good. Most guys who step on one lose BOTH legs."

## Great Books Leaders Course at Holy Names

Training courses for Great Books Leaders will be given at nearby College of the Holy Names beginning Wednesday, 24 January. One class will meet at 1000, the other at 2000. The class lasts two hours. Total cost for the course is \$8 for the set of source books used in the course and a commitment to co-lead a junior or adult discussion group this year. A morning class missed may be made up at the evening session. Patients, staff, and dependents are invited to take the course. To register or obtain additional information, call Mrs. John Shepherd or write: Mr. Howard Will, Great Books Foundation, San Francisco Public Library, San Francisco, Calif. 94115.

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When you drive, hitch horse sense to horsepower.



CPL Ralph Rivera, USMC, has received the Bronze Star for heroic action in Vietnam. The presentation was made last week by COL L. D. Grow, CO of the TI Marine Barracks. Rivera's platoon was attacked by Viet Cong and there were 12 casualties. "He fearlessly exposed himself to intense enemy fire on four separate occasions to assist in carrying the wounded to safety. . . . His resolute courage, bold initiative, and selfless devotion to duty inspired all who observed him," his citation read in part. The 20-year-old Marine from Northridge, Calif., lost his left leg when he stepped on a mine during a reconnaissance patrol.

## Want to Drive Car To Great Lakes?

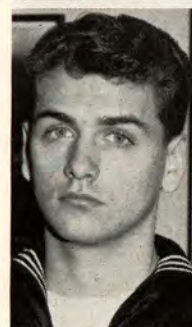
Anyone want to deliver a car to a hospital corpsman at NH, Great Lakes, in March? It's a 1956 Chevrolet with brand new engine and new tires. Gasoline will be provided for the trip.

For further information, call Miss Dorothy Thompson in the Public Affairs Office, Ext. 203.

## AN Tamplin of 49 Speaks on Narcotics

AN Mike Tamplin, coordinator of Project 49, participated in a PTA Meeting at Lafayette Elementary School, Oakland, Tuesday night.

A film entitled "Narcotics, Pit of Despair," was shown, and Mike and an Oakland police officer discussed the use of narcotics and the problems leading up to their use.



Happy faces were all around on 5 January when HNs David R. Waters (left) and Robert W. Roberson (right) completed the 26 week EENT Technician course. Giving their congratulations were CAPT David Rulon, Roger Jones of ENT, and CDR J. F. Rosborough, Chief of Ophthalmology. At left is HN Ronald J. Beavers who became an EENT Technician through on-the-job training.



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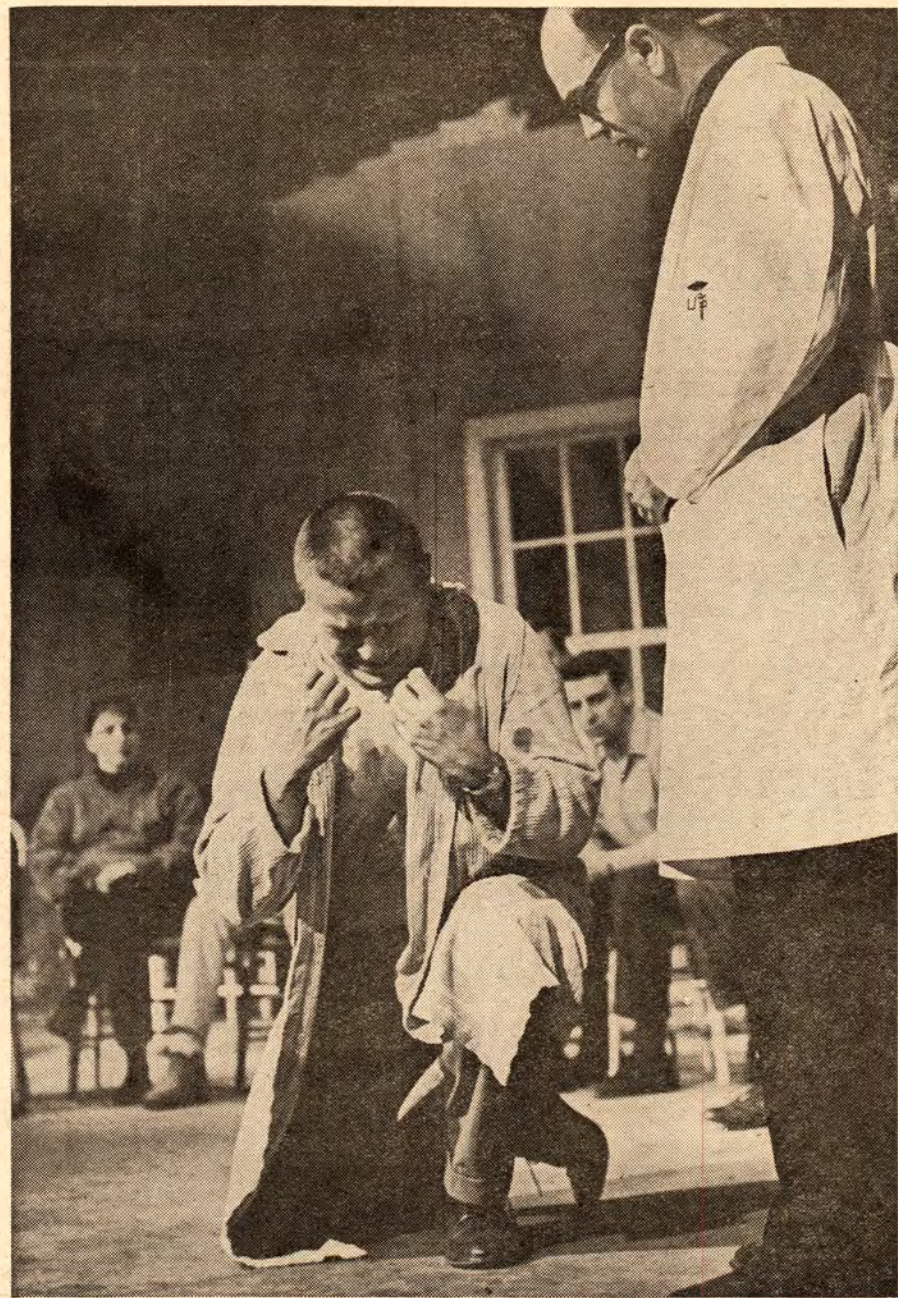
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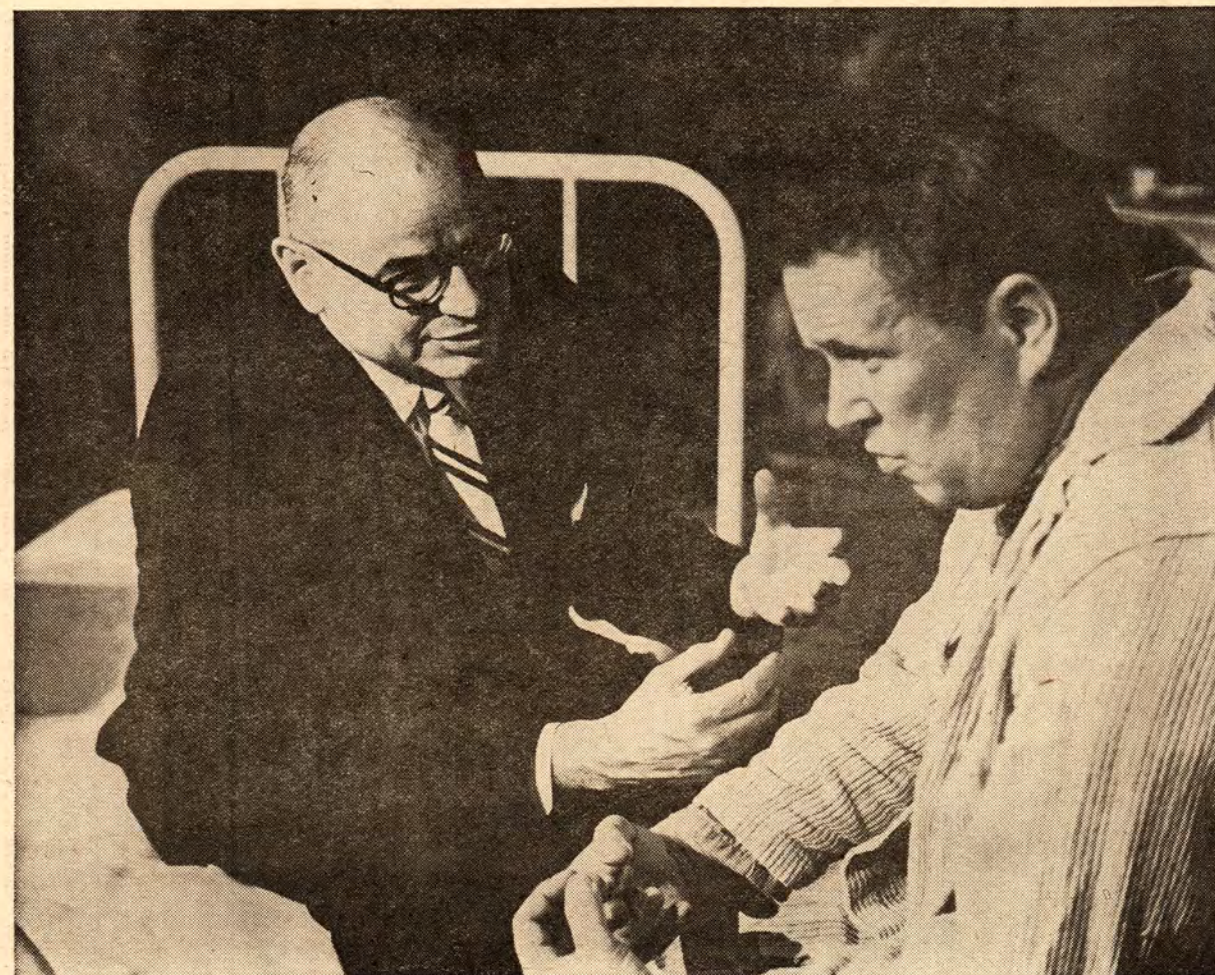


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The man, a Marine veteran of the Korean War, was being treated at a U.S. Naval Hospital. He was part of an experimental open ward therapy program for the mentally ill supervised by Dr. Harry Wilmer of Palo Alto.

Later Dr. Wilmer wrote a book about these experiences. His work became basis for a highly praised television drama on the Alcoa Presents series in which Lee Marvin starred as the Marine.

Now the teleplay's author, Henry Greenberg, has written a stage version called "People Need People." The Menlo Players Guild will present the play's world premiere this Friday at the Burgess Theater in Menlo Park (for further details, see Calendar).

Shown in these pictures as the Marine is Val Moore (also seen talking with Dr. Wilmer in the above center picture). Moore, who is a Lockheed engineer, and other performers studied sound movies taken of Dr. Wilmer's experiment and visited psychiatric wards.

But what counted most was how each performer penetrated to the insides of his stage character and, in turn, discovered a clear, jolting reflection in which he could see a bit of himself.

"It's been a tremendous educational experience for all of us," says producer Matt Lehmann (a research associate at Stanford Electronics Laboratories). "We hope our audiences come to feel the same way we do—to realize how close this problem is to us all."

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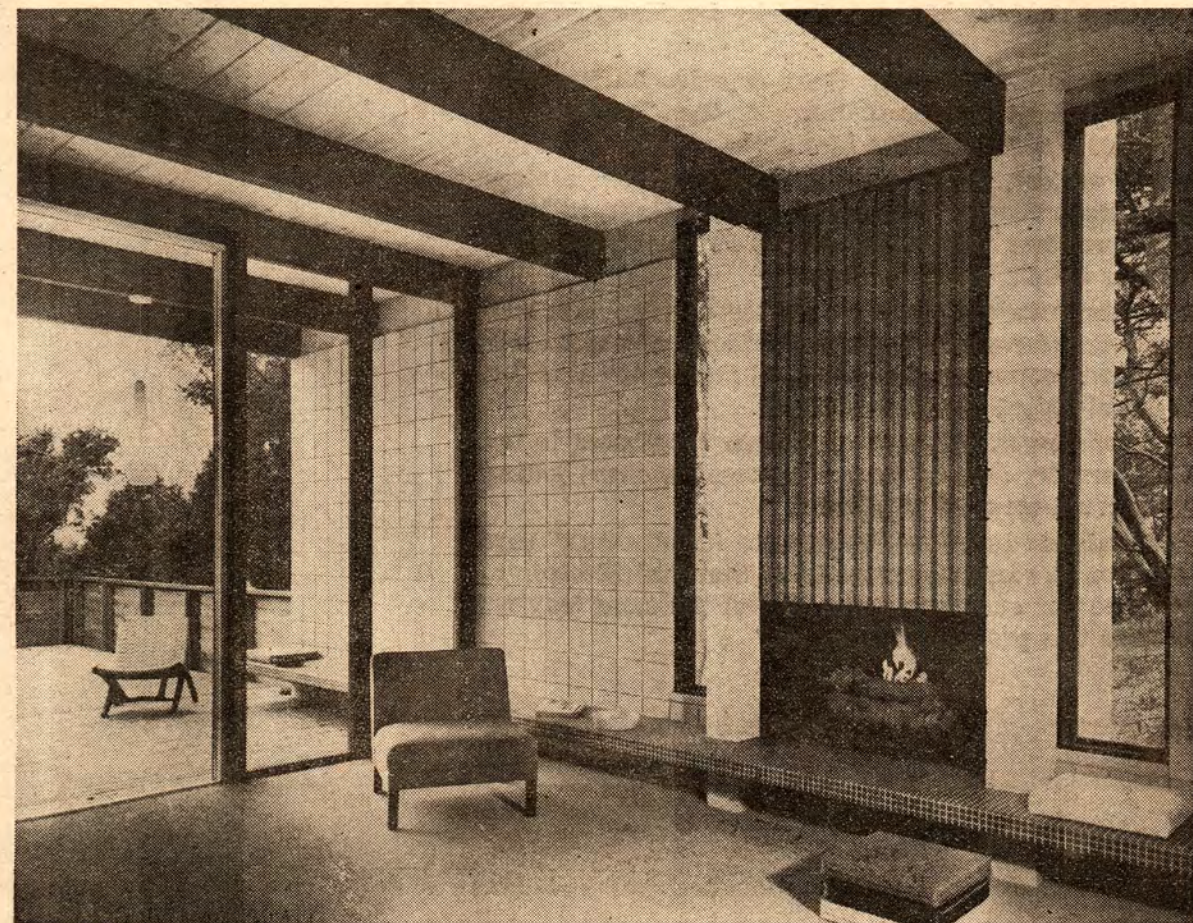
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Beyond sheltered entry (above), short hall leads to this light, airy living room at rear.



## Married to a Hill

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## Wander Back 117 Years

BY JAY BEAU-SEIGNEUR



IF YOU'D like to step back to an era when Spanish was the language of the Peninsula, you'll find a "time capsule" waiting for you in Pedro Valley on the San Mateo County coastside.

This remnant from our "wilderness" past is Sanchez Adobe, a weathered home built in 1846 and now hemmed in by tract homes more than 100 years its junior. The adobe is believed to be the third oldest building standing on the Peninsula.

This historic edifice was built for Francisco Sanchez, the alcade (mayor) of San Francisco, but the property itself was in use much earlier. Friars from San Francisco's Mission Dolores, who used the land for agricultural purposes, recorded the baptism of an Indian child in a chapel there in 1787.

Sanchez died in 1862, and his beautiful home soon fell to neglect. It was used as a hunting lodge, a bootleg saloon, and a shed for packing artichokes. It was also the scene of at least one murder.

But in 1946 the adobe was restored to its original state (see photo) by the San Mateo County Historical Society.

Today visitors can tour its six rooms. Although none of the original furniture was preserved, the building has been furnished with authentic pieces from the 1846-60 period. And the entry hall contains a history of the building and a map of Sanchez's Rancho San Pedro.

The Adobe is located in Pedro Valley, four miles south of Sharp Park, just off Coast Route on Linda Mar Boulevard. It is open from 10 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays; admission is free.

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Ὅμνύω Ἀπόλλωνα ἰητρὸν καὶ Ἀσκληπιὸν καὶ Ὑγίαν καὶ Πανάκειαν καὶ θεοὺς πάντας τε καὶ πάσας, ἵστορας ποιεύμενος, ἐπιτελέα ποιήσῃν κατὰ δύναμιν καὶ κρίσιν ἐμήν ὅρκον τόνδε καὶ συγγραφὴν τήνδε·

† ἡγήσασθαι τε τὸν διδάξαντά με τὴν τέχνην ταύτην ἴσα γενέτησιν ἐμοῖσι, καὶ βίου κοινώσασθαι, καὶ χρεῶν χρητίζοντι μετάδοσιν ποιήσασθαι, καὶ γένος τὸ ἐξ αὐτοῦ ἀδελφοῖς ἴσον ἐπικρινεῖν ἄρρεσι, καὶ διδάξῃν τὴν τέχνην ταύτην, ἣν χρητίζωσι μανθάνειν, ἄνευ μισθοῦ καὶ συγγραφῆς, παραγγελίης τε καὶ ἀκροήσιος καὶ τῆς λοιπῆς ἀπάσης μαθήσιος μετάδοσιν ποιήσασθαι † υἱοῖσί τε ἐμοῖσι καὶ τοῖσι τοῦ ἐμὲ διδάξαντος, καὶ μαθητῇσι συγγεγραμμένοις τε καὶ ὠρκισμένοις νόμῳ ἰητρικῷ, ἄλλῳ δὲ οὐδενί.

διαιτήμασί τε χρῆσομαι ἐπ' ὠφελείῃ καμνόντων κατὰ δύναμιν καὶ κρίσιν ἐμήν, ἐπὶ δηλήσει δὲ καὶ ἀδικίῃ † εἴρξω†.

οὐ δώσω δὲ οὐδὲ φάρμακον οὐδενὶ αἰτηθεὶς θανάσιμον, οὐδὲ ὑφηγήσομαι συμβουλίην τοιήνδε· ὁμοίως δὲ οὐδὲ γυναικὶ πεσσὸν φθόριον δώσω· ἀγνώως δὲ καὶ ὁσίως διατηρήσω βίον ἐμὸν καὶ τέχνην ἐμήν.

οὐ τεμέω δὲ οὐδὲ μὴν λιθιῶντας, ἐκχωρήσω δὲ ἐργάτησιν ἀνδράσι πρήξιος τῆσδε.

ἐς οἰκίας δὲ ὁκόσας ἂν ἐσίω, ἐσελεύσομαι ἐπ' ὠφελείῃ καμνόντων, ἐκτὸς ἐὼν πάσης ἀδικίης ἐκουσίης καὶ φθορίης, τῆς τε ἄλλης καὶ ἀφροδισίων ἔργων ἐπὶ τε γυναικείων σωμάτων καὶ ἀνδρείων, ἐλευθέρων τε καὶ δούλων.

ἂ δ' ἂν ἐν θεραπείῃ ἢ ἴδω ἢ ἀκούσω, ἢ καὶ ἄνευ θεραπείης κατὰ βίον ἀνθρώπων, ἂ μὴ χρή ποτε ἐκλαλεῖσθαι ἔξω, σιγήσομαι, ἄρρητα ἡγεύμενος εἶναι τὰ τοιαῦτα.

ὅρκον μὲν οὖν μοι τόνδε ἐπιτελέα ποιεῶντι, καὶ μὴ συγχέοντι, εἴη ἐπαύρασθαι καὶ βίου καὶ τέχνης δοξαζομένῳ παρὰ πᾶσιν ἀνθρώποις ἐς τὸν αἰὲ χρόνον, παραβαίνοντι δὲ καὶ ἐπιорκέοντι τάναντία τούτων.

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I swear by Apollo Physician, by Asclepius, by Health, by Heal-all, and by all the gods and goddesses, making them witnesses, that I will carry out, according to my ability and judgment, this oath and this indenture:

To regard my teacher in this art as equal to my parents; to make him partner in my livelihood, and when he is in need of money to share mine with him; to consider his offspring equal to my brothers; to teach them this art, if they require to learn it, without fee or indenture; and to impart precept, oral instruction, and all the other learning, to my sons, to the sons of my teacher, and to pupils who have signed the indenture and sworn obedience to the physicians' Law, but to none other.

I will use treatment to help the sick according to my ability and judgment, but I will never use it to injure or wrong them.

I will not give poison to anyone though asked to do so, nor will I suggest such a plan. Similarly I will not give a pessary to a woman to cause abortion. But in purity and in holiness I will guard my life and my art.

I will not use the knife either on sufferers from stone, but I will give place to such as are craftsmen therein.

Into whatsoever houses I enter, I will do so to help the sick, keeping myself free from all intentional wrong-doing and harm, especially from fornication with woman or man, bond or free.

Whatsoever in the course of practice I see or hear (or even outside my practice in social intercourse) that ought never to be published abroad, I will not divulge, but consider such things to be holy secrets.

Now if I keep this oath and break it not, may I enjoy honour, in my life and art, among all men for all time; but if I transgress and forswear myself, may the opposite befall me.